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ORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD.

HALL OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION,
NEW YORK, *Wednesday, January 14, 1885.* }

STATED SESSION.

The Board was called to order by the PRESIDENT, pursuant to the first rule of order.

The CLERK then called the roll of members, as follows :

RUFUS G. BEARDSLEE,
ISAAC BELL,
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,
FREDERICK W. DEVOE,
ROBERT M. GALLAWAY,
CHARLES L. HOLT,
WILLIAM M. IVINS,
EUGENE KELLY,
HOSEA B. PERKINS,
EUGENE H. POMEROY,
HENRY SCHMITT,
GUSTAV SCHWAB,
DE WITT J. SELIGMAN,
J. EDWARD SIMMONS,
EDWARD J. H. TAMSEN,
JACOB D. VERMILYE,
STEPHEN A. WALKER,
WILLIAM B. WALLACE,

WILLIAM J. WELCH,
DAVID WETMORE,
WILLIAM WOOD.

Present—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners BEARDSLEE, BELL, CRAWFORD, DEVOE, GALLAWAY, HOLT, KELLY, PERKINS, POMEROY, SCHMITT, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, TAMSEN, VERMILYE, WALLACE, WELCH and WOOD—18.

Absent—Commissioners IVINS, SIMMONS and WETMORE—3.

The PRESIDENT announced that the first business in order would be the election of a PRESIDENT for the year 1885.

The PRESIDENT appointed Commissioners SCHMITT and PERKINS to act as Tellers.

The CLERK proceeded with the call of the roll when eighteen members responded to their names, and deposited their ballots.

REPORT OF THE TELLERS.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented the report of the Tellers, as follows :

Whole number of votes cast	18
Necessary to a choice	11
Of which Stephen A. Walker received	15
Of which David Wetmore received	1
Of which J. Edward Simmons received	1
Of which Blank received	1

HENRY SCHMITT, } *Tellers.*
H. B. PERKINS, }

The CLERK announced that STEPHEN A. WALKER, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was duly elected PRESIDENT for the year 1885.

The PRESIDENT addressed the Board, as follows :

Gentlemen of the Board of Education :

I return you sincere thanks for the vote just given, by virtue of which I am again inducted into an honorable office. I undertake its duties with some sense of confidence arising from long experience, but your expression of confidence is none the less grateful to me, and I certainly hope that length of service will never produce in me either assumption of undue authority or arrogance of method or manner in the administration of the duties of the office. I hope I shall never forget that the President of the Board of Education is, after all, simply one of a number of School Commissioners, each alike charged with most responsible duties.

. I have not prepared myself with any careful arrangement of my thoughts, much less any written address, by the use of which I might follow the custom which has existed for some years in exhibiting the views of a new occupant of the chair as to methods of school government or administration, but if you will bear with me in some not carefully considered and arranged remarks, I will ask your indulgence for a short time.

Mayor Grace, in the message presented on his assumption of office on the 1st of January, has called the attention of the public, and our attention also, to the great importance of the most perfect sanitary arrangements possible in our public schools. With every word he uttered I most cordially concur. It is of the highest importance, not only to the pupils of the schools—those actually in attendance thereon—but to the public at large, that whatever in the way of mechanical and precautionary measures in the construction of buildings or in the location of pipes, traps, and the et cetera of the plumber's industry, should be employed for the security, not only of the health of the children, but of the whole community. You are aware that during the past year, at the suggestion and under the immediate control of the health officers of the city, we have expended a sum approaching sixty thousand dollars in bringing our arrangements which affect sanitary construction up to the level of the latest improvements, and I believe it to be the

fact that our school buildings as a whole are to-day in better condition in this respect than they ever were before. Something of the criticism that may be made by those who are in-expert on this subject is due to the fact that an impression arises very frequently that if the odors in a school building are not of the sweetest, there must be necessarily some fault or secret source of disease. It is quite impossible, keeping the temperature of a room at the proper degree, that it should be filled with little children continuing there for a considerable space of time, with the same absolute purity of atmosphere to the olfactory senses which we should find in a pine forest on a Vermont hill-side in the month of June. But this does not necessarily imply that there is any danger to health from the mere existence of a doubtful odor. Some of the most offensive drugs in the world are the most wholesome, and healthy air is not inevitably sweet.

Our effort should be directed to making every room in every school house a healthy place, as far as possible to avoid certain disagreeable incidents inevitable to the housing of large numbers.

The Board is to be congratulated, as a means to this end, on the recent appointment as its engineer of one of the best experts in practical sanitation in the country, and I suggest the modification of our By-Laws to some extent so as to prescribe specifically an enlargement of the duties and powers of the engineer in reference to inspection, construction and reconstruction of school buildings.

The Mayor has also called our attention to a point which is already under advisement in this Board, and in charge of a very competent committee. The subject is one to which magazine writers and persons interested in educational affairs are at the present time devoting a great deal of attention, viz.: the use of the body—the physical organism, as an instrument and means of intellectual instruction, called for lack of a better name, industrial education, though not involving in any sense the idea of actual pre-

paration for a specific trade or for a mechanical life work. Preliminary to the expected report of this Committee, I will not anticipate in any way their conclusions, but it occurs to me to say that if some change in the methods and subjects of common school instruction should be recommended and adopted, our first difficulty in respect to a practical application of these new doctrines which fill the air, and which have so much force to my own mind, will be the necessity of teachers specially trained and fitted for the new work. It is nothing against the competence or qualifications of our present corps of teachers that they are not instructed either theoretically or practically in these novel ideas, and if a change is to come it must work from the top down, we must have in our colleges normal work specially related to the new plan, and when our teachers are fitted to instruct it will be time for us to invade the grammar and primary schools with these novel agencies. Such a course would involve great changes in our colleges, and the subject brings to my mind a fact which has been made specially prominent by the experiences of the past year; that our Normal College for girls, fulfilling as it does its high office as a preparation for the teacher's work and in theory solely designed for this purpose, is very largely used simply as a high school for the instruction of those who desire some degree of advanced education but with no serious idea of a professional teacher's life. We have during the past year been obliged, owing to the enormous increase in the number of pupils in our grammar schools, to refuse admission at the Normal College to something over two hundred young ladies, who in the judgment of their principals had completed satisfactorily a grammar school course and had even passed an examination which a few years ago would have unquestionably entitled them to admission to the Normal College. It is certainly an unfortunate circumstance, one that causes irritation, doubtless, in many households and tends to produce criticism upon our general management, that we were obliged to raise the grade of admission from seventy-five per cent. to eighty-two per cent., simply on the ground of incapaci-

ty of our building to admit a larger number. The course pursued by the committee has this element of satisfaction in it—only the best and most competent were admitted. What is going to be the solution of this difficulty, which will increase year by year, I do not undertake to say. We may ultimately, if the demand for academic instruction is continued, and the general community requires this Board to furnish facilities therefor, be obliged to avail ourselves of an act already upon the statute book, the execution of which, aside from financial difficulties, is entirely within our power, to wit: the erection of an institution for females similar in all respects to the present College of the City of New York, an institution which, in its nature and general plan, should have no necessary connection whatever with mere normal instruction.

As an original proposition, I have said so many times that it is useless almost to repeat it, I cannot harmonize the prevalent notion that academic, and even university education, is an expense properly chargeable upon the public, with my fundamental ideas of what sort of education should be chargeable in the tax levy. Still, if the whole people not only submit to but require it, it is unbecoming, at any rate useless, for individual theorists, with pet notions of political economy of their own, to block the way.

As to a temporary relief from the difficulties that beset us in respect to increasing numbers, it seems to me that a requirement, which is entirely within our power to make, that the last two grades of the grammar schools should each of them occupy for a full year the time of the scholars, in both male and female departments, would relieve us from the recurrence of the difficulties of the past year, and, doubtless, be an advantage to the pupils in the grammar schools. It is a matter of common observation, that in the schools where the longer time is spent in these two grades, the more successful students are educated, and without any injury to any one. I am satisfied that we could even add a study or two to the second and first grade, say plane geometry and algebra, to the great benefit of every one concerned.

I have no sympathy whatever with the views of some, that there is any such thing at the present time as undue pressure upon the pupils in our schools, resulting in mental or nervous injury to anybody. We do work our teachers. We do not work, or make to work, our pupils. The vast mass of oral instruction is an exacting requirement upon instructors, but the almost absence of direct application of the individual pupil to a specific thing in the open book before him, demanding the requirement of the highest attention, seems to me to lead the pupil to think that some one else must do his thinking for him and his work for him, and that in the schoolroom he is simply an occupant of so much space, answering to his name so many times, getting so many marks, and receiving attention from everybody, rather than giving it to anybody or anything, or working on his own account. The boys and girls laugh at us whenever we talk of their being overworked. There are only five hours a day ; only five days in a week ; only two hundred days in a year, and this criticism about pressure is based on no statistics whatever, and comes from a sort of sensitive humanitarianism, the substance of which is that the best estate of people is when nothing hurts them and when they have little to do, indulged apparently in the expectation that boys and girls can in some way go through this rough world without any hard knocks. I believe in a school of philosophy, the fundamental principle of which was that labor is the best panacea for all the ills of this life ; that if a boy has learned work he has learned his most important lesson, and that industry is a better protection against frivolousness and immorality than any catechism.

In reference to financial matters, our attention will be called during the present year, possibly, to some legislative action in our interest, as to the fund for building new schools. You are aware that the legal and financial authorities of the city have so interpreted the meaning of the statutes providing for a sinking fund in reference to their relation to the constitutional amendment lately adopted limiting the amount of city debt, as

to make it impossible for any more bonds, except for aqueduct purposes, to be issued by the City of New York. The law which was passed at the last session of the Legislature, giving us authority to apply to the Comptroller for the sale of bonds for building new schools, was only partially available during last year, owing to the fact that purchasers of bonds objected to the rate of interest allowed. If the law had provided three and a half per cent. instead of three, without doubt before the 1st of January of the present year, we could have sold the whole amount of bonds, and been substantially at our ease with respect to this matter; but the fact is that only three hundred and thirty-two thousand dollars were realized, and more than two-thirds of that amount has already been appropriated. Our Board attempted to meet this exigency by application to the Board of Apportionment for a sum amounting nearly to one million of dollars for building purposes, to be inserted in the appropriation for 1885. That Board, however, was confident that some legislative relief could be secured, and denied our request. In my judgment, it would not be becoming for us to have a part in any general legislation in reference to the Sinking Fund, but in case some legislative action should be procured by others for the cancellation of the bonds now held by it, it would then be proper for us to apply to the Legislature for an amendment of the Act of 1884, so as to make its provisions available by increasing the rate of interest. If this should not be done, we are for the present year substantially without means for erecting new school-houses, and, therefore, it will be impossible for us to meet the demands for convenient school accommodation which are caused by the rapid increase of population in the northerly portions of the city. There is a considerable amount of empty school room in the city, and I have seriously thought of recommending some scheme of transportation from the Twelfth, Nineteenth and Twenty-second Wards down to the lower part of the city, to prevent the crying evil of children knocking at the doors of school

houses adjacent to their homes, with no hope or expectation of admission.

The sum of \$75,000 was appropriated by the Board of Apportionment, on our application, for the payment of an increased amount of salary to primary teachers, on the basis of length of service, and we have abundant opportunity for deliberation in respect to the proper plan to be adopted regarding this fund, inasmuch as it is not payable until the last half of the present year, and the subject will require our most intelligent consideration. I joined heartily in the application on behalf of this worthy body of teachers, who for years have been receiving less money, on a basis of average attendance, than their more favored sisters in the grammar schools, while doing a work of more importance. Our application was not only heartily made, but generously granted. My own ideas in reference to the distribution of this fund, which I put forth only in a tentative way, is that a period of say seven years after actual appointment in the schools should elapse before any increase is made by way of consideration for length of service. I take seven years, perhaps, rather arbitrarily, but there is some reason after all in the figures. *Imprimis*, it is a Scriptural figure, and taking it for granted that a teacher enters upon her work at about the age of twenty, her chances of cessation from it arising from matrimonial accidents, may be considered fair to good for seven years. After that term my idea is, what with the results of labor upon the flush and bloom of youth, that these chances of matrimonial luck or ill-luck, whichever it may be considered, somewhat diminish; certainly after seven years more of service, in the large majority of cases such chances have pretty much passed away, and the teacher settles down with undistracted intent to her life's work. Taking this view of the case, I should say that \$100 increase after seven years of actual service, and \$200 after fourteen years, will be about the thing, and I believe in the absence of careful statistics, which of course, must be prepared in advance of any legislation on our part, that the sum of money allowed will be sufficient for this

purpose. I may add that the fourteen year term corresponds to the period in which we allow the maximum salary to principals for efficient and faithful service.

The Board has made during the past year commendable progress on the subject of consolidation of small schools. I believe no careless or hasty step has been taken in this respect, but the result has been that wholesome combinations have been formed, and small departments have been united in several instances with others, so as to make schools of very considerable size. The theory of our school system is the instruction of large numbers. It is absurd to speak of a graded school whose attendance is under one hundred. Combination of grades in the same class, with five to ten children in one class, for effective instruction would require modification of our fundamental principles; and although consolidation has its economical aspects and results, the main object of those who have spoken and voted in its favor has been the proper classification and instruction of the pupils. Let us move on in this good work. There never will be a case without individual hardship, for teachers or principals, or even janitors, but of what consequence is it? We legislate for immense numbers; we deal with large questions, and it is perfectly trivial for personal interests to stand in the way. We have moved heretofore on the generous plan that there should be no loss of situation and employment to any principal. This is certainly a fair way to do; but wherever there is a good case for the application of the plan of consolidation, and there is a vacancy for the principal thrown out of a position anywhere in the city, the question of the preferment of the vice-principal, or the irritation of local feeling in any ward, should not be obstacles to decisive and sturdy action on our part.

The new and populous wards where promotions have been frequent and high positions reached with great rapidity, should share alike in the obligation of providing places for teachers displaced by wise and intelligent general legislation for the benefit of the whole city.

I thank you again gentlemen, for honors conferred and for *attention given*, and await your further pleasure.

Commissioner WOOD moved that the PRESIDENT be requested to furnish a copy of his address, to be entered in the minutes, and that the usual number of copies be printed.

Adopted.

Commissioner SELIGMAN moved that the Board proceed to the election of a Clerk, which was adopted.

The PRESIDENT appointed Commissioners SCHMITT and PERKINS to act as Tellers.

The CLERK proceeded with the call of the roll, when eighteen members responded to their names as they deposited their ballots.

REPORT OF THE TELLERS.

Commissioner SCHMITT submitted the report of the Tellers as follows:

Whole number of votes cast	18
Necessary to a choice	11
Of which Lawrence D. Kiernan received	16
Of which Blank received	2

HENRY SCHMITT, } *Tellers.*
H. B. PERKINS, }

The PRESIDENT announced that Lawrence D. Kiernan, having received a majority of the votes of the Board, was duly elected Clerk for the year 1885.

Commissioner VERMILYE moved that the Board proceed to elect an Auditor, which was adopted.

The PRESIDENT appointed Commissioners SCHMITT and PERKINS to act as Tellers.

The CLERK proceeded with the call of the roll, when eighteen members responded to their names, as they deposited their ballots.

REPORT OF THE TELLERS.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented the report of the Tellers, as follows :

Whole number of votes cast.....	.18
Necessary to a choice.....	11
Of which John Davenport received....	16
Of which Blank received.....	2

HENRY SCHMITT, } *Tellers.*
H. B. PERKINS, }

The PRESIDENT announced that John Davenport, having received a majority of the votes, was duly elected Auditor for the year 1885.

COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Trustees of the First, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Ninth, Thirteenth, Twenty-second and Twenty-fourth Wards, to excuse absence of teachers, &c.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power conferred by the by laws.

From Trustees of the Third Ward, for authority to rehire premises No. 67 Warren street, for P. S. No. 37.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Fourth Ward, for new furniture for two class-rooms in P. D. G. S. No. 1.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture. .

From the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, for a rearrangement of seats and desks in class-rooms, and for settees in main room of G. S. No. 23.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, asking for payment of the bill of E. Humphrey, for removing books, pianos, &c., from and to G. S. Nos. 12 and 31, amounting to \$65.80.

Referred to the Auditing Committee.

From the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, asking that Miss A. McVey, Principal of P. S. No. 3, be paid the maximum salary.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, nominating Miss Hattie A. Denniston for Principal of P. D. G. S. No. 83.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, for the purchase of a site, on the southeast corner of Ninety-sixth street and Lexington avenue, for \$33,000.

Referred to the Committee on Sites and New Schools.

From the Trustees of the Fourteenth Ward, asking that the Fourth Assistant in the M. D. G. S. No. 5, be retained in her position in the school.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Fourteenth Ward, transmitting a communication from the Fire Department, and asking for fire escapes in G. S. building No. 30.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, asking that the salary of the Vice-Principal, P. D. G. S. No. 50, be continued at the same amount paid in 1884.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, asking that the bill of Mrs. Margaret Sturgeon, for services at G. S. No 40, as Janitrix, be paid.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, nominating John Walsh for Principal of Male Department Grammar School No. 74.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, for authority to pay Mrs. Catharine Hughes, for services as Janitrix at G. S. No. 67 and G. S. No. 80.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, for authority to advertise for proposals to alter and fit up premises for G. D. No. 60.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, for authority to hire premises for G. D. No. 60.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

REPORTS FROM INSPECTORS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following report from the Inspectors of the Fourth District, for the year 1884, as follows :

To the Board of Education of the City of New York :

In accordance with an act relating to the duties of Inspectors of Common Schools, the undersigned submit the following Annual Report in regard to the condition of schools of the Fourth School District.

The Districts constitutes the Eleventh (11) and Seventeenth (17) Wards of this city. The schools are in good condition, excepting in the instance hereinafter mentioned.

In the Eleventh (11) Ward we have seven (7) school buildings, viz. : Grammar Schools Nos. 71, 22, 15, 36, also Primary Schools Nos. 3, 5, 31. Primary School No. 3, located in Can-

non street, near Stanton, has been complained of for several years past, but no steps have been taken regarding its unfit condition. The walls in the class rooms are damp and wet on rainy days; better ventilation is necessary to make the rooms healthy. The school is also overcrowded and inadequate to the wants of the vicinity. We would therefore urge for the improvement of the school the purchase of the adjoining house, which, we are informed, can be purchased at a reasonable figure. We urge upon your body the necessity of giving this question your earliest consideration.

Grammar School No. 15. In the southwest wing in the Primary Department of this school, we have a class room not fit to be used. The room on the ground floor below is occupied by the janitor for cooking purposes. Very disagreeable odors arise from this kitchen to the class room above, which are deleterious to the health of the children and the teacher of the class. We recommend that measures be taken preventing the janitor from the further use of this room.

We would also suggest as a means of retreat, in case of emergency, by cutting an opening on back stairway, and egress provided to adjoining yard, also door cut in yard on west side to provide exit for Primary Department. The need of this improvement is worth consideration.

Grammar School No. 71. We would recommend having steps to drop from the iron gates, leading into the yards in Sixth street, as an extra precaution in case of fire; as the yards into which the gates open are some four (4) or five (5) feet deeper than the school yards. An excellent means of escape in case of emergency would be afforded this way.

We would also suggest that the same course be pursued with Grammar School No. 36.

In the Seventeenth (17) Ward are eight (8) schools, viz.: Grammar Schools Nos. 25, 19, 13, also Primary Schools Nos. 26, 23, 22, 9, 6. The work to enlarge Primary School No. 9, at 42 First street, and to be occupied when completed instead by Grammar School No. 79, consisting of a Grammar Department

for boys, and a Primary Department for boys and girls, is now being erected, and is expected to be completed on or about September 1, 1885. The cause of education in this part of the ward has been suffering from insufficient school accommodation, and we are pleased to see that your honorable body provided for the necessities and the increasing population of the immediate neighborhood.

Primary School No. 22. The wooden stairway situated on the northeast corner of this school, used as an exit, should be removed at once, and one placed in its stead, to the safety of the children attending. The need of this improvement, in case of emergency ever arising, is worth consideration.

The order and discipline maintained in the schools of the district are excellent. We take pleasure in commending the intelligence, energy and exertions of the principals and teachers of all the departments in the schools in our district, in the discharge of their respective duties.

The average attendance during the year 1884 (daily) :

In the Eleventh (11) Ward.....	7,891
In the Seventeenth (17) Ward.....	8,888
Total.....	<u>16,779</u>

Respectfully submitted,

BEN. BLUMENTHAL,	} <i>Inspectors of the Fourth District.</i>
HENRY ALLEN,	
A. C. ANDERSON,	

NEW YORK, December 31st, 1884.

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

CITY SUPERINTENDENT.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the report of the City Superintendent on the operations of the Truancy Department for December, 1884, as follows :

CITY SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, }
NEW YORK, Jan. 14, 1885. }

To the Honorable the Board of Education :

GENTLEMEN—I submit herewith the following report of the transactions of the Truancy Department for the month of December last.

The total number of cases investigated and closed was 1,044. Of this number 238 reported as truants, and 135 as non-attendants, were placed in schools.

A detailed statement of the month's work will be found appended.

Very respectfully,
JOHN JASPER,
City Superintendent.

SCHEDULE.

Total number of visits made.....	2,348
To homes.....	1428
To schools.....	817
To stores and factories....	103
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Total.....	2,348
Total number of cases investigated and closed.....	1,044
Children kept at home by parents... ..	247
“ “ “ sickness	164
“ “ “ poverty.....	31
“ “ pyhsically disqualified.....	6
“ transferred from one school to another...	35
“ under 8 and over 14 years of age.....	26
“ withdrawn from school { left the city....	0
“ “ “ gone to work...	30
“ whose residence could not be found.....	125
“ found to be truants and returned to school.....	238

Children found to be truants and committed to Re-	
formatory Institutions by parent	
through agent.....	3
“ found to be non-attendants and placed in	
school... ..	135
“ found to be non-attendants and committed	
to Reformatory Institutions by parent	
through agent.....	3
“ brought before Magistrate and discharged	1
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Total.....	1,044

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

BY THE PRESIDENT.

The PRESIDENT announced the classification of schools by groups, for visitation by the Commissioners, from January 1 to June 30, 1885.

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes. P. 58.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from E. Henry Lacombe, Esq., Counsel to the Corporation, in the matter of Cordelia H. Ray, a teacher in Grammar School No. 80.

Also, the order for a peremptory *mandamus*, and the opinion of the Court, in said matter, as follows :

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION. }
NEW YORK, *January 13, 1885,*

SUPREME COURT.

THE PEOPLE EX REL CORDELIA
RAY

AGAINST

JOHN DAVENPORT,
Auditor, &c.

HON. STEPHEN A. WALKER,

President of the Board of Education :

SIR :

In this proceeding a peremptory writ of mandamus has been ordered by Hon. Justice Lawrence, to compel the audit and payment of the salary of the relator (a former teacher in the Colored School No. 3, which, pursuant to chapter 248, Laws of 1884, was continued as Ward School No. 80 after the enactment of said act) for October, 1884.

Pursuant to your request, the application of the relator was contested, and the following facts were placed before the Court.

1. That prior to May 5, 1884, the relator was the fourth assistant teacher in the Grammar Department of Colored School No. 3, which was organized and controlled by the Board of Education, and that the number of teachers employed therein, and their respective salaries, was specially fixed by authority of the Board of Education, and said school was not, in that respect, subject to the by-law which prescribed the number of teachers to be employed in Ward Schools, and their salaries.

2. That under such authority the staff of teachers of the Grammar Department consisted of a Principal, salary...\$2,500

1st Assistant, salary.....	880
2d " "	800
3d " "	725
4th " "	635
5th " "	550

3. That by force of the act passed May 5, 1884, said school ceased to be a Colored School under the control of the Board of Education, and became a Ward School, under the jurisdiction of the Ward Trustees.

4. That by force of the statute said school, as a Ward School, became subject to the by-laws of the Board applicable to Ward Schools, in the same manner and to the same extent as other Ward Schools.

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An alternative writ of mandamus having been, on the 25th day of November, 1884, issued out of and under the seal of this Court, commanding John Davenport, as Auditor of the Board of Education of the City of New York, to examine and audit the salary of H. Cordelia Ray, as a teacher in Ward School number eighty, in the City of New York, for the month of October, 1884, at the rate of six hundred and thirty-five dollars a year, upon the payroll for the payment of the salaries of the teachers employed in the said school for the month last mentioned, prepared by Charles L. Reason, the principal of the grammar department of the said school, examined, audited and certified by the Trustees of Common Schools for the 22d Ward of the said city, and then examined and audited by the Inspectors of Common Schools for the Seventh School

I have no sympathy whatever with the views of some, that there is any such thing at the present time as undue pressure upon the pupils in our schools, resulting in mental or nervous injury to anybody. We do work our teachers. We do not work, or make to work, our pupils. The vast mass of oral instruction is an exacting requirement upon instructors, but the almost absence of direct application of the individual pupil to a specific thing in the open book before him, demanding the requirement of the highest attention, seems to me to lead the pupil to think that some one else must do his thinking for him and his work for him, and that in the schoolroom he is simply an occupant of so much space, answering to his name so many times, getting so many marks, and receiving attention from everybody, rather than giving it to anybody or anything, or working on his own account. The boys and girls laugh at us whenever we talk of their being overworked. There are only five hours a day ; only five days in a week ; only two hundred days in a year, and this criticism about pressure is based on no statistics whatever, and comes from a sort of sensitive humanitarianism, the substance of which is that the best estate of people is when nothing hurts them and when they have little to do, indulged apparently in the expectation that boys and girls can in some way go through this rough world without any hard knocks. I believe in a school of philosophy, the fundamental principle of which was that labor is the best panacea for all the ills of this life ; that if a boy has learned work he has learned his most important lesson, and that industry is a better protection against frivolousness and immorality than any catechism.

In reference to financial matters, our attention will be called during the present year, possibly, to some legislative action in our interest, as to the fund for building new schools. You are aware that the legal and financial authorities of the city have so interpreted the meaning of the statutes providing for a sinking fund in reference to their relation to the constitutional amendment lately adopted limiting the amount of city debt, as

to make it impossible for any more bonds, except for aqueduct purposes, to be issued by the City of New York. The law which was passed at the last session of the Legislature, giving us authority to apply to the Comptroller for the sale of bonds for building new schools, was only partially available during last year, owing to the fact that purchasers of bonds objected to the rate of interest allowed. If the law had provided three and a half per cent. instead of three, without doubt before the 1st of January of the present year, we could have sold the whole amount of bonds, and been substantially at our ease with respect to this matter; but the fact is that only three hundred and thirty-two thousand dollars were realized, and more than two-thirds of that amount has already been appropriated. Our Board attempted to meet this exigency by application to the Board of Apportionment for a sum amounting nearly to one million of dollars for building purposes, to be inserted in the appropriation for 1885. That Board, however, was confident that some legislative relief could be secured, and denied our request. In my judgment, it would not be becoming for us to have a part in any general legislation in reference to the Sinking Fund, but in case some legislative action should be procured by others for the cancellation of the bonds now held by it, it would then be proper for us to apply to the Legislature for an amendment of the Act of 1884, so as to make its provisions available by increasing the rate of interest. If this should not be done, we are for the present year substantially without means for erecting new school-houses, and, therefore, it will be impossible for us to meet the demands for convenient school accommodation which are caused by the rapid increase of population in the northerly portions of the city. There is a considerable amount of empty school room in the city, and I have seriously thought of recommending some scheme of transportation from the Twelfth, Nineteenth and Twenty-second Wards down to the lower part of the city, to prevent the crying evil of children knocking at the doors of school

houses adjacent to their homes, with no hope or expectation of admission.

The sum of \$75,000 was appropriated by the Board of Apportionment, on our application, for the payment of an increased amount of salary to primary teachers, on the basis of length of service, and we have abundant opportunity for deliberation in respect to the proper plan to be adopted regarding this fund, inasmuch as it is not payable until the last half of the present year, and the subject will require our most intelligent consideration. I joined heartily in the application on behalf of this worthy body of teachers, who for years have been receiving less money, on a basis of average attendance, than their more favored sisters in the grammar schools, while doing a work of more importance. Our application was not only heartily made, but generously granted. My own ideas in reference to the distribution of this fund, which I put forth only in a tentative way, is that a period of say seven years after actual appointment in the schools should elapse before any increase is made by way of consideration for length of service. I take seven years, perhaps, rather arbitrarily, but there is some reason after all in the figures. *Imprimis*, it is a Scriptural figure, and taking it for granted that a teacher enters upon her work at about the age of twenty, her chances of cessation from it arising from matrimonial accidents, may be considered fair to good for seven years. After that term my idea is, what with the results of labor upon the flush and bloom of youth, that these chances of matrimonial luck or ill-luck, whichever it may be considered, somewhat diminish; certainly after seven years more of service, in the large majority of cases such chances have pretty much passed away, and the teacher settles down with undistracted intent to her life's work. Taking this view of the case, I should say that \$100 increase after seven years of actual service, and \$200 after fourteen years, will be about the thing, and I believe in the absence of careful statistics, which of course, must be prepared in advance of any legislation on our part, that the sum of money allowed will be sufficient for this

purpose. I may add that the fourteen year term corresponds to the period in which we allow the maximum salary to principals for efficient and faithful service.

The Board has made during the past year commendable progress on the subject of consolidation of small schools. I believe no careless or hasty step has been taken in this respect, but the result has been that wholesome combinations have been formed, and small departments have been united in several instances with others, so as to make schools of very considerable size. The theory of our school system is the instruction of large numbers. It is absurd to speak of a graded school whose attendance is under one hundred. Combination of grades in the same class, with five to ten children in one class, for effective instruction would require modification of our fundamental principles; and although consolidation has its economical aspects and results, the main object of those who have spoken and voted in its favor has been the proper classification and instruction of the pupils. Let us move on in this good work. There never will be a case without individual hardship, for teachers or principals, or even janitors, but of what consequence is it? We legislate for immense numbers; we deal with large questions, and it is perfectly trivial for personal interests to stand in the way. We have moved heretofore on the generous plan that there should be no loss of situation and employment to any principal. This is certainly a fair way to do; but wherever there is a good case for the application of the plan of consolidation, and there is a vacancy for the principal thrown out of a position anywhere in the city, the question of the preferment of the vice-principal, or the irritation of local feeling in any ward, should not be obstacles to decisive and sturdy action on our part.

The new and populous wards where promotions have been frequent and high positions reached with great rapidity, should share alike in the obligation of providing places for teachers displaced by wise and intelligent general legislation for the benefit of the whole city.

I thank you again gentlemen, for honors conferred and for attention given, and await your further pleasure.

Commissioner WOOD moved that the PRESIDENT be requested to furnish a copy of his address, to be entered in the minutes, and that the usual number of copies be printed.

Adopted.

Commissioner SELIGMAN moved that the Board proceed to the election of a Clerk, which was adopted.

The PRESIDENT appointed Commissioners SCHMITT and PERKINS to act as Tellers.

The CLERK proceeded with the call of the roll, when eighteen members responded to their names as they deposited their ballots.

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Commissioner SCHMITT submitted the report of the Tellers as follows :

Whole number of votes cast	18
Necessary to a choice	11
Of which Lawrence D. Kiernan received	16
Of which Blank received	2

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H. B. PERKINS, }

The PRESIDENT announced that Lawrence D. Kiernan, having received a majority of the votes of the Board, was duly elected Clerk for the year 1885.

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H. B. PERKINS, }

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COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Trustees of the First, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Ninth, Thirteenth, Twenty-second and Twenty-fourth Wards, to excuse absence of teachers, &c.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power conferred by the by laws.

From Trustees of the Third Ward, for authority to rehire premises No. 67 Warren street, for P. S. No. 37.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Fourth Ward, for new furniture for two class-rooms in P. D. G. S. No. 1.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, for a rearrangement of seats and desks in class-rooms, and for settees in main room of G. S. No. 23.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, asking for payment of the bill of E. Humphrey, for removing books, pianos, &c., from and to G. S. Nos. 12 and 31, amounting to \$65.80.

Referred to the Auditing Committee.

From the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, asking that Miss A. McVey, Principal of P. S. No. 3, be paid the maximum salary.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, nominating Miss Hattie A. Denniston for Principal of P. D. G. S. No. 83.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, for the purchase of a site, on the southeast corner of Ninety-sixth street and Lexington avenue, for \$33,000.

Referred to the Committee on Sites and New Schools.

From the Trustees of the Fourteenth Ward, asking that the Fourth Assistant in the M. D. G. S. No. 5, be retained in her position in the school.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Fourteenth Ward, transmitting a communication from the Fire Department, and asking for fire escapes in G. S. building No. 30.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, asking that the salary of the Vice-Principal, P. D. G. S. No. 50, be continued at the same amount paid in 1884.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, asking that the bill of Mrs. Margaret Sturgeon, for services at G. S. No 40, as Janitrix, be paid.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, nominating John Walsh for Principal of Male Department Grammar School No. 74.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, for authority to pay Mrs. Catharine Hughes, for services as Janitrix at G. S. No. 67 and G. S. No. 80.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, for authority to advertise for proposals to alter and fit up premises for G. D. No. 60.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, for authority to hire premises for G. D. No. 60.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

REPORTS FROM INSPECTORS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following report from the Inspectors of the Fourth District, for the year 1884, as follows :

To the Board of Education of the City of New York :

In accordance with an act relating to the duties of Inspectors of Common Schools, the undersigned submit the following Annual Report in regard to the condition of schools of the Fourth School District.

The Districts constitutes the Eleventh (11) and Seventeenth (17) Wards of this city. The schools are in good condition, excepting in the instance hereinafter mentioned.

In the Eleventh (11) Ward we have seven (7) school buildings, viz. : Grammar Schools Nos. 71, 22, 15, 36, also Primary Schools Nos. 3, 5, 31. Primary School No. 3, located in Can-

non street, near Stanton, has been complained of for several years past, but no steps have been taken regarding its unfit condition. The walls in the class rooms are damp and wet on rainy days; better ventilation is necessary to make the rooms healthy. The school is also overcrowded and inadequate to the wants of the vicinity. We would therefore urge for the improvement of the school the purchase of the adjoining house, which, we are informed, can be purchased at a reasonable figure. We urge upon your body the necessity of giving this question your earliest consideration.

Grammar School No. 15. In the southwest wing in the Primary Department of this school, we have a class room not fit to be used. The room on the ground floor below is occupied by the janitor for cooking purposes. Very disagreeable odors arise from this kitchen to the class room above, which are deleterious to the health of the children and the teacher of the class. We recommend that measures be taken preventing the janitor from the further use of this room.

We would also suggest as a means of retreat, in case of emergency, by cutting an opening on back stairway, and egress provided to adjoining yard, also door cut in yard on west side to provide exit for Primary Department. The need of this improvement is worth consideration.

Grammar School No. 71. We would recommend having steps to drop from the iron gates, leading into the yards in Sixth street, as an extra precaution in case of fire; as the yards into which the gates open are some four (4) or five (5) feet deeper than the school yards. An excellent means of escape in case of emergency would be afforded this way.

We would also suggest that the same course be pursued with Grammar School No. 36.

In the Seventeenth (17) Ward are eight (8) schools, viz.: Grammar Schools Nos. 25, 19, 13, also Primary Schools Nos. 26, 23, 22, 9, 6. The work to enlarge Primary School No. 9, at 42 First street, and to be occupied when completed instead by Grammar School No. 79, consisting of a Grammar Department

for boys, and a Primary Department for boys and girls, is now being erected, and is expected to be completed on or about September 1, 1885. The cause of education in this part of the ward has been suffering from insufficient school accommodation, and we are pleased to see that your honorable body provided for the necessities and the increasing population of the immediate neighborhood.

Primary School No. 22. The wooden stairway situated on the northeast corner of this school, used as an exit, should be removed at once, and one placed in its stead, to the safety of the children attending. The need of this improvement, in case of emergency ever arising, is worth consideration.

The order and discipline maintained in the schools of the district are excellent. We take pleasure in commending the intelligence, energy and exertions of the principals and teachers of all the departments in the schools in our district, in the discharge of their respective duties.

The average attendance during the year 1884 (daily) :

In the Eleventh (11) Ward.....	7,891
In the Seventeenth (17) Ward.....	8,888
Total.....	<u>16,779</u>

Respectfully submitted,

BEN. BLUMENTHAL,	} <i>Inspectors of the</i>
HENRY ALLEN,	
A. C. ANDERSON,	

Fourth District.

NEW YORK, December 31st, 1884.

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

CITY SUPERINTENDENT.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the report of the City Superintendent on the operations of the Truancy Department for December, 1884, as follows :

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CITY SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, }
NEW YORK, Jan. 14, 1885. }

To the Honorable the Board of Education :

GENTLEMEN—I submit herewith the following report of the transactions of the Truancy Department for the month of December last.

The total number of cases investigated and closed was 1,044. Of this number 238 reported as truants, and 135 as non-attendants, were placed in schools.

A detailed statement of the month's work will be found appended.

Very respectfully,
JOHN JASPER,
City Superintendent.

SCHEDULE.

Total number of visits made.....	2,348
To homes.....	1428
To schools.....	817
To stores and factories....	103
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Total.....	2,348
Total number of cases investigated and closed.....	1,044
Children kept at home by parents... ..	247
“ “ “ sickness	164
“ “ “ poverty.....	31
“ “ pyhsically disqualified.....	6
“ transferred from one school to another...	35
“ under 8 and over 14 years of age.....	26
“ withdrawn from school { left the city....	0
“ “ “ gone to work...	30
“ whose residence could not be found.....	125
“ found to be truants and returned to school.....	238

Children found to be truants and committed to Reformatory Institutions by parent through agent.....	3
“ found to be non-attendants and placed in school... ..	135
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“ brought before Magistrate and discharged	1
Total.....	1,044

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

BY THE PRESIDENT.

The PRESIDENT announced the classification of schools by groups, for visitation by the Commissioners, from January 1 to June 30, 1885.

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes. P. 58.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from E. Henry Lacombe, Esq., Counsel to the Corporation, in the matter of Cordelia H. Ray, a teacher in Grammar School No. 80.

Also, the order for a peremptory *mandamus*, and the opinion of the Court, in said matter, as follows :

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LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION. }
New York, *January 13, 1885,*

SUPREME COURT.

THE PEOPLE EX REL. CORDELIA
RAY

AGAINST

JOHN DAVENPORT,
Auditor, &c.

Hon. STEPHEN A. WALKER,

President of the Board of Education :

SIR :

In this proceeding a peremptory writ of mandamus has been ordered by Hon. Justice Lawrence, to compel the audit and payment of the salary of the relator (a former teacher in the Colored School No. 3, which, pursuant to chapter 248, Laws of 1884, was continued as Ward School No. 80 after the enactment of said act) for October, 1884.

Pursuant to your request, the application of the relator was contested, and the following facts were placed before the Court.

1. That prior to May 5, 1884, the relator was the fourth assistant teacher in the Grammar Department of Colored School No. 3, which was organized and controlled by the Board of Education, and that the number of teachers employed therein, and their respective salaries, was specially fixed by authority of the Board of Education, and said school was not, in that respect, subject to the by-law which prescribed the number of teachers to be employed in Ward Schools, and their salaries.

2. That under such authority the staff of teachers of the Grammar Department consisted of a Principal, salary...\$2,500

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3d " "	725
4th " "	635
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District of the said city; and Lawrence D. Kiernan, as Clerk of the said Board to supervise and examine the said salary upon the said pay-roll, and certify the same in conformity to the by-laws of the said Board, and the Board of Education of the City of New York, to cause and direct the said salary, upon the said pay-roll to be examined, audited and certified, and the said pay-roll to be then delivered to the Comptroller of the City of New York, and that the several parties so commanded make a return to the said writ at the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York, within twenty days after service thereof; and the said John Davenport as such Auditor, and Lawrence D. Kiernan, as such Clerk, having made a return to the said writ, setting forth the grounds upon which they had not obeyed the mandate thereof, and the Board of Education of the City of New York by E. H. Lacombe, Esq., Counsel to the Corporation of the said city, its attorney, having thereupon stipulated that the said return should have the same effect as though it had joined therein, and the same determination made in regard to it as to the other respondents; and Mr. N. J. Waterbury, having been thereupon heard for the relator, and Mr. D. J. Dean for the respondents, and due deliberation having been thereupon had, on motion of Mr. N. J. Waterbury, Jr., attorney for the relator, it is hereby ordered, that a peremptory writ of mandamus issue out of and under the seal of this Court directed to the several respondents above named, commanding them as in the said alternative writ of mandamus specified in respect to them respectively, and also that the relator recover of the respondents her costs and expenses upon this proceeding to be adjusted, &c.

(A copy.)

PATRICK KEENAN.

Clerk.

OPINION.

The People *ex rel.* Ray *v.* Davenport *et al.*—The relator is, I think, entitled to a peremptory mandamus in this case. Section 1 of chap. 248 of the Laws of 1884 provides that: "The

Colored Schools in the City of New York now existing and in operation shall hereafter be classed and known and be continued as Ward Schools and Primaries, with their present teachers, unless such teachers are removed in the manner provided by law, and such schools shall be under the control and management of the school officers of the respective wards in which they are located, in the same manner and to the same extent as other Ward Schools, and shall be open for the education of pupils for whom admission is sought, without regard to race or color." Section 2 repeals all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of said act. It is not claimed, on the part of the Board of Education, that the relator has ever been removed from her position as teacher under the provisions of the statutes providing for the organization of the Board of Education and prescribing the powers and duties of said Board and of the Board of Trustees of the several wards. The provisions in respect to such removals are contained in sections 1038 and 1042 of the Consolidation act (see Manual of the Board of Education, pp. 30-34). Neither is it alleged that the license of the relator has been revoked for any cause by the written certificate of the City Superintendent and the written concurrence of two of the inspectors for the district for which the teacher is employed, as prescribed by section 40 of the Consolidation act (see Manual, p. 32). It is, however, alleged that by the provisions of the act of 1884, the school to which the relator was attached became a Ward School, under the provisions of the by-laws of the Board of Education relating to Ward Schools, and that by those by-laws but one teacher could be allowed for every thirty-five pupils of a grammar grade, and one for every fifty scholars of a primary grade, and that additional teachers could only be employed by the Ward Trustees when authorized by the Committee on Teachers of the Board of Education. The respondents further aver in their return that the number of pupils returned by the principal of the school in question for the year 1883 was eighty of the grammar grade, and that the number of teachers

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allowed by the by-laws aforesaid was, therefore, two only, and that two teachers in said return named, being senior in rank to relator, were assigned to the two positions of first and second assistants, as prescribed by section 35 of the by-laws of the Board of Education. After examining the Act of 1884, I am of opinion that the teachers in the Colored Schools, when said act was passed, were continued as such teachers in the Ward Schools and Primaries until removed in the manner provided by law. I am also of the opinion that the words "removed in the manner provided by law" mean the manner provided by statute relating to such removals. As already shown, those statutes provide for a removal by the Board of Trustees and by the Board of Education, and that a license of a teacher may also be revoked for any cause affecting the morality or competency of the teacher (see sections 1038 and 1042 of the Consolidation act). In this case the relator was dropped under a provision of a by-law of the Board of Education, and not removed in the manner prescribed by the statutes above referred to. This procedure I do not think was warranted by the Act of 1884. I think that the clear intention of the Legislature was to continue the teachers in the Colored Schools until they were removed for some misconduct. If there is any inconsistency between the Act of 1884 and the by-laws of the Board of Education, the former must control, particularly in view of the fact that the Act of 1884 provides that all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of said act are hereby repealed. If the by-law of the Board of Education, upon which the learned counsel for the respondent relies, has the force and effect which he attributes to it, it is to my mind entirely inconsistent with the provisions of the Act of 1884, respecting the "present teachers" in the Colored Schools. Indeed, the effect of the by-law in question seems to me, upon the facts stated in the return, to have been rather to increase the salaries of the two teachers who were the seniors in rank to the relator than to "remove" the relator "in the manner provided by law." The learned counsel for the respondents has not furnished the

Court with a brief in this case, and I have considered it solely upon the points necessarily presented by the return to the alternative writ. No objection was taken on the oral argument to the form of the remedy, and I have therefore, assumed that no such objection is intended to be urged. Let an order be entered that a peremptory mandamus issue to the effect prayed for by the relator.

A copy :

PATRICK KEENAN,
Clerk.

Referred to the Committee on By-laws, Elections and Qualifications.

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes.

From Walter H. Mead, resigning his office of Trustee of Common Schools for the Sixteenth Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Nomination of Trustees.

From the Board of Estimate and Apportionment relative to school money for the year 1885, as follows :

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Public Instruction :

For salaries of Teachers, Janitors, Superintendents, Clerks, and employees ; for supplies, rents, incidental expenses, and repairs to buildings, furniture and heating and ventilating apparatus ; for the expense of compulsory education, as provided by chapter 421, Laws of 1874 ; and for the support of the Nautical School established by chapter 288, Laws of 1873 ; and for the support of schools which have been organized since the last annual apportionment of school moneys ; and such further sum or sums as may be necessary for any of the purposes authorized by law ; and for school moneys apportioned to the corporate

schools, and all expenses of the Board of Education not included under any other head of account; also, including the sum of \$2,000 due the New York Protestant Episcopal Public School, for assessments on Grammar School No. 29, for years 1871, 1872 and 1873, \$1,062.10 and interest (see communication of Corporation Counsel, July 16, 1884; Journal,

page 682).....	\$3,768,800 00
For payment of additional salary on the basis of length of service to Assistant Teachers in Primary Schools, to be expended during the last six months of 1885, after the adoption and amendment of the By-laws of the Board of Education in reference to longevity pay..	75,000 00
For connecting the Public School Buildings with the Fire and Police Electric Alarm....	16,000 60
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	\$3,859,800 00

A true copy of Final Estimate for 1885, adopted by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, Dec. 30, 1884.

CHARLES V. ADEE,
Clerk.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes.

From the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, relative to a deficiency, as follows :

Deficiency, 1881 and 1882, Public Instruction, \$78.38.

A true copy of Final Estimate for 1885, adopted by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, Dec. 30, 1884.

CHAS. V. ADEE,
Clerk.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full on the minutes.

From Miss M. T. Geurnsey, an appeal from the action of the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, in dismissing her from her position as Third Assistant in P. D. G. S. No. 26.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From Miss Rachael S. Gorlitz, P. D. G. S. No. 25, an appeal from the action of the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, in appointment of a teacher to her detriment.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From Pearce & Jones, relative to Telegraphic Apparatus and Fire Alarms.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the National Gas Saving Company, relative to the consumption of gas in the schools, and their apparatus for regulating the supply, &c.

Referred to the Auditing Committee.

From J. W. Jones, a bill for extra work done under contracts for alterations and repairs of drainage, G. S. No. 26, amounting to \$127.22.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From H. W. Ellsworth & Co., asking that their copy book cover and protector to be added to the list of supplies.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From Baker, Pratt & Co., relative to change in the firm, and designating the books and other supplies which will be furnished to the Board under existing contracts.

Referred to the Committee on Supplies.

From Thomas J. Nealis, Esq., Engineer of the Board, a report on the sanitary condition of G. S. building No. 40.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

RESOLUTIONS TO BE REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Commissioner CRAWFORD offered the following :

Resolved, That the Committee on Course of Study be requested to examine the question of alleged undue pressure upon scholars and teachers in the schools at the present time, and to report such facts as they may ascertain bearing on the subject, with their opinion.

Adopted.

Commissioner CRAWFORD offered the following :

Resolved, That the Normal College Committee be requested at an early date to examine and report as to the best plan in their opinion to counteract the tendency to overcrowding the College with students.

Adopted.

REPORTS LAID OVER UNDER THE RULE.

The PRESIDENT announced for consideration the report of the Committee on By-laws, Elections and Qualifications, recommending an amendment to the By-laws relative to the non-employment of married teachers, Journal, pp. 932, 933. P. 969. P. 1012, 1013.

On motion of Commissioner SCHMITT—

Laid over, and to retain its order on the schedule.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, to appoint Miss Mary A. Underhill, P. S. No. 23, as Principal of P. S. No. 27, and to consolidate Primary Schools Nos. 22 and 23, Journal, pp. 942, 943. P. 969. P. 1013.

On motion of Commissioner TAMSEN—

Laid over, and to retain its order on the schedule.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on

By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, relative to the salaries of teachers in the Training Department of the Normal College, Journal, pp. 1027, 1028, 1029.

On motion of Commissioner SCHMITT—

Laid over, and to retain its order on the schedule.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented a report from the Auditing Committee, relative to the bills of T. M. Stewart for carpet cleaning, and of Thos. Falvey for moving books, &c., as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The report of the Auditing Committee, in reference to the bill of T. M. Stewart for cleaning carpets, and the bill of Thomas Falvey for removing books (found on page 976 of minutes), was recommitted to the Committee (page 1014 of minutes). This report was recommitted specially for the purpose of embodying certain suggestions in the proposed resolution at the end of the report, found on page 978 of minutes.

So far as the bills of Mr. Stewart and Mr. Falvey are concerned, your Committee simply reiterate what it has already stated in its report above referred to. Your Committee take this occasion to say that it emphatically dissents from the view that its duty is to examine bills, and either report payment or a refusal of payment ; that it has no power or right to report a bill as exorbitant, or to report what in its opinion is a just and reasonable charge.

Your Committee believes its plain duty to be, carefully to examine all bills referred to it for audit ; to ascertain if the charges made in a bill are correct and reasonable, and to examine the parties to a bill if doubt exists as to the correctness or fairness of any charge. This was done in the cases of the bills under consideration, and in many other cases.

Mr. Falvey charged \$50.25 for removing *books* from the *Female* department of G. S. No. 39, in One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street, near Third avenue, to the Female Department of G. S. No. 78, corner of One Hundred and Nineteenth street and Avenue A.

He states he was occupied fifteen days on this work. This claim seems to be absurd. Compare his bill with the bill of Jos. P. Candisky (allowed by your Committee in its report, page 1023 of Minutes) for removing not only *books*, but also *supplies* "to and from" G. S. No. 61 in Forty-first street near Eighth avenue, and G. S. No. 80 at No. 252 West Forty-second street, and it will show that the views expressed in your Committee's report regarding Mr. Falvey's bill are correct. Mr. Candisky charged only \$12. We respectfully submit that the amount allowed by the Committee to Mr. Falvey (\$25.00) was a very liberal allowance.

It may be policy to allow the bill of Mr. Stewart rather than dispute it further, as in future bills for like charges can be guarded against by adopting the proposed resolution hereto attached, in reference to expenses incurred about the Hall of the Board. But this cannot be said in reference to the bill of Mr. Falvey.

Your Committee presents the following two resolutions relating to the bill of T. M. Stewart. It recommends for adoption the first resolution, leaving it to the Board to determine whether, for the reasons above, it would be the better policy to adopt the second resolution :

1. *Resolved*, That the sum of forty dollars be paid to T. M. Stewart in full, for bill rendered for cleaning carpets for the Hall of the Board of Education ; or
- 2 *Resolved*, That the sum of \$58.07 be paid to T. M. Stewart in full, for bill rendered for cleaning carpets for the Hall of the Board of Education.

In reference to the bill of Thomas Falvey, your Committee recommends for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That twenty-five dollars be paid to Thos. Falvey in full, for bill rendered for removing books from F. D. G. S. No. 39 to F. D. G. S. No. 78, to be paid from the incidental fund of the Board.

Your Committee again calls attention to that portion of its report found on bottom of page 978. To carry out the suggestions there referred to, it presents for adoption the following resolution, in which are embodied the suggestion made at the last meeting of the Board :

Resolved, That hereafter no bills for any purpose in reference to the Hall of the Board of Education shall be incurred, without an estimate of the proposed cost be first submitted by the Superintendent of School Buildings to the Auditing Committee, and approved by said Committee.

This resolution does not include the usual ordinary office expenses, janitor's fees, nor the doing of any work requiring immediate attention.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY SCHMITT,	}	<i>Auditing Committee.</i>
W. B. WALLACE,		
W. J. WELCH,		
ISAAC BELL,		
H. B. PERKINS,		

Laid over under the rule.

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, recommending appropriations of the moneys apportioned for same purposes for the year 1885, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Finance Committee, to whom the communication of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment in relation

to the moneys apportioned for Public Instruction for the year 1885 was referred, submit for the consideration of the Board the proposed division of the aggregate sum, \$3,859,800, into the amounts deemed requisite for the current purposes of the year, and for special appropriations. In this division no change is made from the sums asked for in the estimates originally adopted.

The resolutions appended hereto are in the usual form, and dispose by appropriation of three million six hundred and ninety-six thousand three hundred dollars (\$3,696,300), reserving for contingencies one hundred and sixty-two thousand five hundred dollars (\$162,500).

Resolved, That the sum of three million six hundred and ninety-six thousand three hundred dollars (\$3,696,300) be, and the same is hereby appropriated from the funds apportioned for Public Instruction for the year 1885, for the following purposes, and in the specific sums herein named; the payments on account thereof to be made in accordance with the by-laws, rules and regulations of this Board governing payments, viz.:

For salaries of teachers in the Grammar and Primary Schools	\$2,650,000 00
For salaries of janitors in Grammar and Primary Schools	116,500 00
For salaries of teachers and janitors in the Normal College and Training Department	97,000 00
For salaries of teachers and janitors in the Evening Schools	87,000 00
For salaries of officers, clerks, and other employees of the Board of Education...	38,500 00
For salaries of the City Superintendent of Schools and assistants	35,050 00
For salaries of truant agents. Act of May 11, 1874, chap. 422.	17,000 00

For support of Nautical School. Act of April 24, 1873, chap. 288.	\$27,500 00
For supplies, books, maps, slates, stationery, etc., for the use of all the schools..	160,000 00
For rent of school buildings.....	30,000 00
For fuel for all the schools and the Hall of the Board of Education.....	115,000 00
For gas for all the schools and Hall of the Board of Education	22,000 00
For incidental expenses of the Board of Education: printing, advertising, stationery, postage, labor, furniture, repairs to Hall, etc.	16,000 00
For incidental expenses of Evening Schools: printing, repairs, furniture, etc.	500 00
For incidental expenses of Normal College and Training Department, including current repairs.....	7,500 00
For incidental expenses of Ward Schools, sections 53 and 57 of the by-laws of this Board	42,000 00
For Buildings Contingent Fund, section 53, subdivision 2	32,000 00
For Clerks to Boards of Trustees, section 60	3,150 00
For pianos, and special repairs of	2,000 00
For workshop, wages and materials... ..	2,600 00
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	3,501,300 00
For amount due the N. Y. Protestant Episcopal Public School, for assessments on G. S. No. 29, for the years 1871, 1872, 1873, and interest.....	2,000 00
For Corporate Schools, per special Acts of the Legislature	102,000 00
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	3,605,500 00

For "payment of additional salary, on the basis of length of service to assistant teachers in Primary Schools, to be expended during the last six months of 1885, after the adoption and amendment of the by-laws of the Board of Education in reference to longevity pay."	\$75,000 00
For "connecting the public school buildings with the Fire and Police Electric Alarm "	16,000 00
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	\$3,696,300 00

Resolved, That the sum of one hundred and sixty-three thousand five hundred dollars (\$163,500) be, and the same is hereby set apart, and reserved, from the funds apportioned for "public instruction" for the year (1885) eighteen hundred and eighty-five, "for repairs to buildings, furniture, and heating and ventilating apparatus," and for furnishing, fitting up and altering the same, under the charge of this Board ; and "for the support of schools which shall have been organized since the last annual apportionment of school moneys, and such further sum or sums as may be necessary for any of the purposes authorized by law," and "all expenses of the Board of Education, not included under any other head of account."

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. VERMILYE, R. G. BEARDSLEE, ISAAC BELL, DE WITT J. SELIGMAN, EUGENE KELLY,	} <i>Finance Committee.</i>
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Laid over under the rule.

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, relative to the contract for a new building for P. S. No. 7 ; stating that, in the matter of the award of the contract for erecting a building in West Tenth street, in the Ninth Ward, the Committee have considered it to be within their line of duty, without special reference by the Board, to give it their attention, for the purpose of making such recommendation in respect to the selection of a competent and responsible contractor for the doing of this work, from among the bidders, as the information obtained would justify. The Committee recommended that the contract be awarded to John P. Schweikert, for the sum of \$70,700, although he was the second lowest bidder, he being known to the Board as a satisfactory builder, while nothing positive in regard to his competitor, the lowest bidder, could at that time be ascertained to overcome this preference. Since the appropriation was made without naming the contractor, the Committee have been presented with recommendations and statements so favorable in respect to the financial and mechanical ability of the lowest bidder, with a tender of sureties so ample that no other disposition of the contract can with propriety be made, than to award it to him for the sum he proposed, sixty-seven thousand dollars (\$67,000). A resolution is therefore submitted for consideration, authorizing this action, and its adoption is recommended :

Resolved, That the contract for “ erection of a new school house on the south side of West Tenth street, between Greenwich and Washington street,” be, and the same is hereby awarded to Patrick J. Walsh, he being the lowest bidder, for the sum of sixty-seven thousand dollars (\$67,000), subject to the conditions contained in the resolution on page 988 of the Journal, adopted on the 20th of December, 1884, per Journal, page 1015, except the sum thereby appropriated, for which the sum named herein is substituted, the difference in the two sums, three thousand seven hundred dollars (\$3,700),

to be transferred to the credit of the Special Fund of 1884, for sites, erecting new buildings, &c.

J. D. VERMILYE, R. G. BEARDSLEE, ISAAC BELL, EUGENE KELLY, DE WITT J. SELIGMAN,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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Commissioner VERMILYE asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch and Wood—18.

Commissioner TAMSEN presented a report from the Committee on Supplies, submitting a statement of the transactions of the Depository for the year 1884, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Committee on Supplies herewith submit a statement of the transactions with the Depository for the year ending December 31st, 1884.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD TAMSEN, F. W. DEVOE, H. B. PERKINS, HENRY SCHMITT,	}	<i>Committee on Supplies.</i>
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January 14th, 1885.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SUPPLIES FOR THE YEAR 1884.

Showing the amount of Supplies delivered to the Grammar Schools, Primary Schools, Janitors, and the Cost per Scholar for the year 1884.

FIRST WARD.

SCHOOL AND JANITOR.	Average Attendance.	Cost per Scholar.	Cost Supplies 1884.	Total Cost per Ward.
G. S. 29, M. D.	160	\$1 56	\$249 62	
" 29, F. D.	122	2 01	245 44	
" 29, P. D.	450	56	251 47	
P. S. 15.	101	51	51 38	
G. S. 29 Janitor.			101 38	
P. S. 15 "			83 83	\$983 07

SECOND WARD.

P. S. 34.	94	\$0 58	\$54 07	
" 34 Janitor.			21 54	\$75 61

THIRD WARD.

P. S. 37.	70	\$1 08	\$75 66	
" 37 Janitor.			36 60	\$112 26

FOURTH WARD.

G. S. 1, M. D.	315	\$2 34	\$736 82	
" 1, F. D.	323	1 49	481 40	
" 1, P. D.	425	46	193 85	
P. S. 12.	248	42	104 22	
" 14.	383	64	212 41	
G. S. 1, Janitor.			61 66	
P. S. 12 "			23 78	
" 14 "			30 48	\$1,844 62

FIFTH WARD.

SCHOOL AND JANITOR.	Average Attend- ance.	Cost per Scholar.	Cost Supplies 1884.	Total Cost per Ward.
G. S. 44, M. D.....	368	\$1 50	\$551 23	
" 44, F. D.....	324	1 38	448 15	
" 44, P. D.....	592	50	297 50	
P. S. 11.....	336	49	165 77	
G. S. 44, Janitor.....			77 87	
P. S. 11.....			89 64	\$1,580 16

SIXTH WARD.

G. S. 23, M. D....	171	\$1 79	\$306 08	
" 23, F. D.....	158	1 65	260 52	
" 23, P. D.....	380	23	86 47	
" 24, M. D.....	191	1 73	329 54	
" 24, F. D.....	183	98	179 11	
" 24, P. D.....	278	33	90 46	
P. S. 2	280	40	111 33	
" 8	443	29	127 46	
G. S. 23, Janitor.....			52 16	
" 24, "			42 19	
P. S. 3 "			22 71	
" 8 "			28 85	\$1,636 88

SEVENTH WARD.

G. S. 2, M. D.....	377	\$2 10	\$890 48	
" 2, F. D.....	413	1 27	523 97	
" 2, P. D.....	916	32	296 29	
" 12, M. D.....	240	2 12	509 68	
" 12, F. D.....				
" 12, P. D.....	718	46	324 39	
" 31, M. D.....	124	1 73	214 81	
" 31, F. D.*.....	264	1 30	342 91	
" 31, P. D.....	387	60	231 53	
P. S. 36	559	33	184 22	
G. S. 2, Janitor.....			101 56	
" 12, "			111 26	
" 31, "			26 84	
P. S. 36, "			44 42	\$3,802 36

* Formerly F. D. 12.

EIGHTH WARD.

SCHOOL AND JANITOR.	Average Attend- ance.	Cost per Scholar.	Cost Supplies 1884.	Total Cost per Ward.
G. S. 8, M. D.....	141	\$1 94	\$273 74	
" 8, F. D.....	115	1 75	200 79	
" 8, P. D.....	433	62	266 49	
" 38, M. D.....	322	1 65	530 59	
" 38, F. D.....	356	1 62	566 82	
" 38, P. D.....	753	45	336 77	
P. S. 25.....	372	57	210 27	
G. S. 8, Janitor.....			82 98	
" 38, ".....			80 50	
P. S. 25, ".....			40 40	\$2,589 35

NINTH WARD.

G. S. 3, M. D.....	646	\$1 47	\$959 20	
" 3, F. D.....	571	1 68	957 19	
" 3, P. D.....	784	31	244 46	
" 16, M. D.....	456	1 45	661 00	
" 16, P. D.....	267	27	73 26	
" 41, F. D.....	694	1 82	1,263 39	
" 41, P. D.....	548	38	207 69	
P. S. 7.....	416	33	136 06	
" 13.....	642	40	257 45	
" 18.....	335	33	108 94	
" 24.....	776	44	328 11	
G. S. 3, Janitor.....			115 60	
" 16, ".....			68 86	
" 41, ".....			80 42	
P. S. 7, ".....			26 82	
" 13, ".....			48 13	
" 18, ".....			11 02	
" 24, ".....			44 73	\$5,587 3

TENTH WARD.

SCHOOL AND JANITOR.	Average Attend- ance.	Cost per Scholar.	Cost Supplies 1884.	Total Cost per Ward.
G. S. 7, M. D.....	265	\$2 14	\$567 53	
" 7, F. D.....	238	2 17	515 81	
" 7, P. D.....	750	33	249 14	
" 20, M. D.....	580	1 81	1,050 87	
" 20, F. D.....	517	1 56	805 45	
" 20, P. D.....	1004	46	458 14	
" 42, F. D.....	567	1 60	906 30	
" 42, P. D.....	1467	47	688 49	
" 75.....	1451	1 06	1,536 19	
P. S. 1.....	1218	70	846 67	
G. S. 7, Janitor.....			79 66	
" 20, ".....			95 25	
" 42, ".....			100 15	
" 75, ".....			93 22	
P. S. 1, ".....			61 60	\$8,086 47

ELEVENTH WARD.

G. S. 15, M. D.....	534	\$1 49	\$799 48	
" 15, P. D.....	782	64	497 53	
" 22, M. D.....	446	1 12	498 38	
" 22, F. D.....	483	1 59	767 11	
" 22, P. D.....	915	40	368 13	
" 36, M. D.....	353	1 25	442 75	
" 36, F. D.....	384	1 48	569 28	
" 36, P. D.....	880	38	333 06	
" 71, F. D.....	514	1 29	663 00	
" 71, P. D.....	887	30	265 16	
P. S. 3.....	395	52	206 54	
" 5.....	567	41	231 64	
" 31.....	755	32	238 33	
G. S. 15, Janitor.....			70 07	
" 22, ".....			95 47	
" 36, ".....			61 12	
" 71, ".....			97 08	
P. S. 3, ".....			21 46	
" 5, ".....			38 94	
" 31, ".....			32 61	\$6,286 04

TWELFTH WARD.

SCHOOLS AND JANITOR.	Average Attend- ance.	Cost per Scholar.	Cost Supplies. 1884.	Total Cost per Ward.
G. S. 6, P. D	171	\$0 38	\$56 24	
" 37, M. D.....	617	1 91	1,175 91	
" 37, F. D.....	613	1 50	922 01	
" 37, P. D.....	1,160	31	362 50	
" 39, M. D.....	381	5 14	1,957 12	
" 39, F. D.....				
" 39, P. D.....	1,048	56	584 06	
" 43, G. D.....	236	3 78	892 38	
" 43, P. D	367	44	160 47	
" 46, M. D.....	387	2 22	747 28	
" 46, F. D	350	1 57	548 50	
" 52.....	62	2 62	162 53	
" 54, G. D.....	260	1 92	499 19	
" 54, P. D	437	43	188 14	
" 57, M. D..	884	1 97	1,639 39	
" 57, P. D	1,146	54	623 11	
" 68, M. D....	796	1 38	1,056 75	
" 68, F. D.....	627	1 61	1,009 09	
" 68, P. D.....	10,47	57	601 73	
" 72, F. D.....	820	1 62	1,329 76	
" 72, P. D...	2,004	59	1,191 66	
" 78,* F. D...	801	2 40	1,920 00	
" 78,† P. D.....	879	64	563 49	
P. S. 30.....	66	53	34 95	
" 32.....	120	44	52 56	
" 38.....				
" 42.....	699	25	176 29	
G. S. 6, Janitor.....			31 33	
" 37, "			105 85	
" 39, "			103 31	
" 43, "			63 66	
" 46, "			59 91	
" 52, "			27 86	
" 54, "			67 63	
" 57, "			88 44	
" 68, "			137 94	
" 72, "			124 24	
" 78, "			146 59	
P. S. 30. "			3 21	
" 32, "			14 86	
" 38, "			18 92	
" 42, "			29 44	
				\$19,478 32

* Formerly Female D. 39. Transferred to G. S. 78.

† Formerly P. S. 38.

THIRTEENTH WARD.

SCHOOL AND JANITOR.	Average Attend- ance.	Cost per Scholar.	Cost Supplies 1884.	Total Cost per Ward.
G. S. 4, M. D.....	544	\$1 65	\$897 12	
" 4, F. D.....	487	1 26	615 59	
" 4, P. D.....	879	47	414 02	
" 34, M. D.....	478	1 56	745 19	
" 34, F. D.....	413	1 76	726 07	
" 34, P. D.....	765	30	232 77	
P. S. 10.....	554	84	185 80	
" 20.....	766	39	297 67	
" 40.....	910	56	513 70	
G. S. 4, Janitor.....			66 73	
" 34, ".....			77 59	
P. S. 10, ".....			37 07	
" 20, ".....			56 15	
" 40, ".....			65 07	\$4,930 54

FOURTEENTH WARD.

G. S. 5, M. D.....	120	\$1 46	\$175 50	
" 5, P. D.....	395	45	176 53	
" 21, M. D.....	158	1 28	202 93	
" 21, F. D.....	178	1 87	330 99	
" 21, P. D.....	447	51	227 30	
" 30, F. D.....	154	1 34	206 20	
" 30, P. D.....	382	39	148 03	
G. S. 5, Janitor.....			53 29	
" 21, ".....			58 23	
" 30, ".....			43 35	\$1,622 35

FIFTEENTH WARD.

G. S. 10, M. D.....	261	\$2 58	\$673 62	
" 10, F. D.....	222	2 80	621 49	
" 10, P. D.....	549	39	212 03	
" 35, M. D.....	776	2 10	1,627 38	
" 35, P. D.....	462	57	261 76	
" 47, F. D.....	516	1 85	955 00	
" 47, P. D.....	413	44	180 07	
" 10, Janitor.....			97 62	
" 35, ".....			76 85	
" 47, ".....			72 27	\$4,778 09

SIXTEENTH WARD.

SCHOOL AND JANITOR.	Average Attend- ance.	Cost per Scholar.	Cost Supplies 1884.	Total Cost per Ward.
G. S. 11, M. D.....	276	\$1 58	\$435 59	
" 11, P. D.....	662	59	392 55	
" 45, F. D.....	558	1 61	899 95	
" 45, P. D.....	663	67	445 62	
" 55, M. D.....	620	2 12	1,311 47	
" 55, P. D.....	549	58	319 07	
" 56, F. D.....	515	1 60	823 71	
" 56, P. D.....	707	47	333 41	
" 81.....	154	1 99	305 89	
G. S. 11, Janitor.....			54 27	
" 45, ".....			74 74	
" 55, ".....			82 64	
" 56, ".....			77 89	
" 81, ".....			28 26	\$5,585 06

SEVENTEENTH WARD.

G. S. 13, M. D.....	609	\$1 88	\$1,142 18	
" 13, F. D.....	562	1 55	868 48	
" 13, P. D.....	1,251	62	769 51	
" 19, M. D.....	466	2 10	976 94	
" 19, F. D.....	470	1 44	678 25	
" 19, P. D.....	903	74	665 81	
" 25, M. D.....	550	1 51	823 04	
" 25, F. D.....	606	1 91	1,154 96	
" 25, P. D.....	1,004	36	357 46	
P. S. 6.....	264	28	74 19	
" 9.....	652	36	237 36	
" 22.....	551	44	239 69	
" 23.....	301	37	111 73	
" 26.....	733	50	363 68	
G. S. 13, Janitor.....			94 08	
" 19, ".....			76 61	
" 25, ".....			111 57	
P. S. 6, ".....			54 47	
" 9, ".....			36 54	
" 22, ".....			51 53	
" 23, ".....			14 55	
" 26, ".....			41 05	\$8,948 68

EIGHTEENTH WARD.

SCHOOL AND JANITOR.	Average Attend- ance.	Cost per Scholar.	Cost Supplies 1884.	Total Cost per Ward.
G. S. 40, M. D.....	698	\$1 82	\$1,270 25	
" 40, P. D.....	464	55	253 30	
" 50, F. D.....	518	1 99	1,030 50	
" 50, P. D.....	350	38	134 66	
P. S. 4.....	523	44	228 67	
" 28.....	584	44	258 77	
" 29.....	473	41	191 66	
G. S. 40, Janitor.....			72 88	
" 50, ".....			47 22	
P. S. 4, ".....			28 36	
" 28, ".....			21 57	
" 29, ".....			28 60	\$3,566 44

NINETEENTH WARD.

G. S. 18, M. D.....	592	\$2 10	\$1,243 00	
" 18, F. D.....	523	1 76	920 33	
" 18, P. D.....	837	68	568 27	
" 27, M. D.....	357	2 56	912 72	
" 27, P. D.....	661	48	317 67	
" 53, F. D.....	879	1 96	1,720 30	
" 53, P. D.....	1,205	47	566 62	
" 59, F. D.....	827	1 86	1,534 85	
" 59, P. D.....	1,348	41	558 53	
" 70, M. D.....	990	2 48	2,453 30	
" 70, P. D.....	1,350	39	529 00	
" 73, F. D.....	394	1 64	646 23	
" 73, P. D.....	1,015	42	429 20	
" 74, M. D.....	896	1 69	1,511 36	
" 74, P. D.....	1,548	50	766 61	
" 76, F. D.....	505	4 17	2,106 50	
" 76, P. D.....	866	1 25	1,083 79	
" 77, M. D.....	507	5 31	2,691 78	
" 77, F. D.....	400	5 76	2,310 77	
" 77, P. D.....	1,325	84	1,109 14	
P. S. 35.....	1,027	38	390 53	
G. S. 18, Janitor.....			109 88	
" 27, ".....			98 94	
" 53, ".....			100 22	
" 59, ".....			88 53	
" 70, ".....			75 44	
" 73, ".....			94 13	
" 74, ".....			117 05	
" 76, ".....			118 88	
" 77, ".....			256 17	
P. S. 35, ".....			67 67	\$25,497 41

TWENTIETH WARD.

SCHOOL AND JANITOR.	Average Attend- ance.	Cost per Scholar.	Cost Supplies 1884.	Total Cost per Ward.
G. S. 26, M. D.....	560	\$1 65	\$922 05	
" 26, P. D... ..	592	' 35	207 80	
" 32, M. D.....	714	1 53	1,090 47	
" 32, P. D.....	1,129	44	499 54	
" 33, F. D.....	649	1 38	897 04	
" 33, P. D.....	1,085	32	347 42	
" 48, F. D.....	449	1 48	662 50	
" 48, P. D.....	793	39	306 28	
P. S. 27.....	829	49	409 11	
G. S. 26, Janitor.....			78 66	
" 32, "			103 75	
" 33, "			126 59	
" 48, "			78 76	
P. S. 27, "			80 71	\$5,810 68

TWENTY-FIRST WARD.

G. S. 14, M. D.....	567	\$1 51	\$854 60	
" 14, F. D.....	548	1 20	659 85	
" 14, P. D.....	1,262	47	587 62	
" 49, M. D.....	580	1 21	704 47	
" 49, F. D.....	540	1 57	850 07	
" 49, P. D... ..	1,235	54	668 81	
P. S. 16.....	854	66	565 62	
G. S. 14, Janitor.....			119 82	
" 49, "			97 88	
P. S. 16, "			31 92	\$5,140 66

TWENTY-SECOND WARD.

SCHOOL AND JANITOR.	Average Attend- ance.	Cost per Scholar.	Cost Supplies. 1884.	Total Cost per Ward.
G. S. 9, M. D	310	\$1 85	\$578 09	
" 9, F. D	252	2 10	528 30	
" 17, F. D	918	1 45	1,329 71	
" 17, P. D	1,418	39	, 556 21	
" 28, M. D				
" 28, F. D	555	1 13	627 11	
" 28, P. D	1,235	39	481 66	
" 51, M. D	877	1 35	1,180 11	
" 51, P. D	1,244	31	388 27	
" 58, M. D	820	1 42	1,166 87	
" 58, P. D	1,048	39	409 14	
" 67, M. D*	554	1 72	952 13	
" 67, P. D†	418	74	307 46	
" 69, M. D	555	1 53	850 58	
" 69, F. D	560	1 64	917 34	
" 69, P. D	904	37	337 90	
" 80, G. D	81	2 29	185 40	
" 80, P. D	156	45	70 56	
P. S. 17.				
" 41.	1,490	41	611 49	
G. S. 9, Janitor.			55 80	
" 17, "			58 89	
" 28, "			135 26	
" 51, "			94 34	
" 58, "			105 64	
" 67, "			40 10	
" 69, "			102 99	
" 80, "			20 52	
P. S. 17, "			17 62	
" 41, "			57 23	\$12,161 72

* Formerly M. D. 28.
† " P. S. 17.

TWENTY-THIRD WARD.

SCHOOL AND JANITOR.	Average Attend- ance.	Cost per Scholar.	Cost Supplies 1884.	Total Cost per Ward.
G. S. 60, G. D.....	710	\$1 63	\$ 1,160 26	
" 60, P. D.....	1,104	40	437 70	
" 61, G. D.....	344	2 02	696 50	
" 61, P. D.....	521	42	220 34	
" 62, G. D.....	429	1 92	825 27	
" 62, P. D.....	847	47	394 60	
P. S. 33.....	32	32	10 30	
" 43.....	81	53	42 79	
" 44.....	165	58	94 98	
G. S. 60, Janitor.....			140 86	
" 61, ".....			30 46	
" 62, ".....			56 40	
P. S. 33, ".....			3 87	
" 43, ".....			13 40	
" 44, ".....			29 04	\$4,156 77

TWENTY-FOURTH WARD,

G. S. 63, G. D.....	223	\$1 90	\$423 62	
" 63, P. D.....	289	52	149 19	
" 64, G. D.....	461	1 34	617 47	
" 65, G. D.....	154	2 22	341 68	
" 65, P. D.....	203	28	57 11	
" 66.....	217	1 26	278 91	
P. S. 45.....	153	77	117 27	
" 46.....	100	68	68 47	
" 47.....	90	1 12	100 52	
" 48.....	20	31	6 17	
G. S. 63, Janitor.....			100 39	
" 64, ".....			67 48	
" 65, ".....			34 31	
" 66, ".....			19 53	
P. S. 45, ".....			10 86	
" 46, ".....			21 25	
" 47, ".....			17 40	
" 48, ".....			14 54	\$2,441 17
				\$136,652 04

Showing the amount of Supplies delivered to the Grammar Departments, Primary Departments, and Primary Schools during the year 1884.

School.	Male Department.	Female Department.	Primary Departm't.	Primary Schools.
1	\$786 82	\$481 40	\$193 85	\$846 67
2	890 46	523 97	296 29	111 33
3	959 20	957 19	244 46	206 54
4	897 12	615 59	414 02	228 67
5	175 50		176 53	231 64
6			56 24	74 19
7	567 53	515 81	249 14	136 06
8	273 74	200 79	266 49	127 46
9	573 09	528 30		237 36
10	673 62	621 49	212 03	185 80
11	435 59		392 55	165 77
12	509 68	334 11	324 39	104 22
13	1,142 18	868 48	769 51	257 45
14	854 60	659 85	587 62	212 41
15	793 43		497 53	51 38
16	661 00		73 26	565 62
17		1,329 71	556 21	76 86
18	1,243 00	920 33	568 27	108 94
19	976 94	678 25	665 81	
20	1,050 87	805 45	458 14	297 67
21	202 93	330 99	227 30	
22	498 38	767 11	363 13	239 69
23	306 08	260 52	86 47	111 73
24	329 54	179 11	90 46	328 11
25	828 04	1,154 96	357 46	210 27
26	922 05		207 80	363 68
27	912 72		317 67	409 11
28	736 50	627 11	481 66	258 77
29	249 62	245 44	251 47	191 66
30	206 20		148 03	34 95
31	214 81	8 80	231 53	288 33
32	1,090 47		499 54	52 56
33		897 04	347 42	10 30
34	745 19	726 07	232 77	54 07
35	1,627 38		261 76	390 53
36	442 75	569 28	333 06	184 22
37	1,175 91	922 01	362 50	75 66
38	530 59	566 82	336 77	73 41
39	1,957 12	846 50	584 06	
40	1,270 25		253 30	513 70
41		1,263 39	207 69	611 49
42		908 30	688 49	176 29

School.	Male Department.	Female Department.	Primary Departm't.	Primary Schools.
43	\$892 38		\$160 47	\$42 79
44	551 23	\$448 15	297 50	94 98
45		899 95	445 62	117 27
46	747 28	548 50		68 47
47		955 00	180 07	100 52
48		662 50	306 28	6 17
49	704 47	850 07	668 81	
50		1,030 50	134 66	
51	1,180 11		388 27	
52	162 53			
53		1,720 30	566 62	
54	499 19		188 14	
55	1,311 47		319 07	
56		823 81	333 41	
57	1,639 39		623 11	
58	1,166 87		409 14	
59		1,534 85	558 53	
60	1,160 26		437 70	
61	696 50		220 34	
62	825 27		394 60	
63	423 62		149 19	
64	617 47			
65	341 68		57 11	
66	273 91			
67	215 63		230 60	
68	1,056 75	1,009 09	601 73	
69	850 58	917 34	337 90	
70	2,453 30		520 00	
71		663 00	265 16	
72		1,329 76	1,191 68	
73		646 23	429 20	
74	1,511 36		766 61	
75	1,536 19			
76		2,106 50	1,083 79	
77	2,691 78	2,310 77	1,109 14	
78		1,073 50	490 03	
79				
80	185 40		70 56	
81	305 89			
Totals.	\$51,661 43	\$39 843 89	\$27,816 77	\$9,184 77

Showing the amount of Supplies delivered to the Janitors of the Grammar and Primary Schools during the year 1884.

School.	G. S. Janitor.	P. S. Janitor.	School.	G. S. Janitor.	P. S. Janitor.
1	\$61 66	\$91 60	43	\$63 66	\$13 40
2	101 56	22 71	44	77 87	29 04
3	115 60	21 46	45	74 74	10 86
4	66 73	28 36	46	59 91	21 25
5	58 29	38 94	47	72 27	17 40
6	31 32	54 47	48	78 76	14 54
7	79 66	25 82	49	97 88	
8	82 98	28 85	50	47 22	
9	55 80	36 54	51	94 34	
10	97 62	37 07	52	27 86	
11	54 27	39 64	53	100 22	
12	111 26	23 78	54	67 68	
13	94 08	43 13	55	82 64	
14	119 82	30 48	56	77 89	
15	70 07	33 83	57	88 41	
16	68 86	31 92	58	106 64	
17	58 89	17 62	59	88 53	
18	109 88	11 02	60	140 86	
19	76 61		61	30 46	
20	95 25	56 16	62	66 40	
21	58 23		63	100 89	
22	95 47	51 53	64	67 48	
23	52 16	14 55	65	34 31	
24	42 19	44 73	66	19 53	
25	111 57	40 40	67	40 10	
26	78 66	41 06	68	137 94	
27	98 94	80 71	69	102 99	
28	135 26	21 57	70	75 44	
29	101 33	28 60	71	97 03	
30	43 35	3 21	72	124 24	
31	26 84	32 61	73	94 13	
32	103 75	14 86	74	117 06	
33	126 59	3 87	75	98 22	
34	77 59	21 54	76	118 88	
35	76 85	67 67	77	256 17	
36	61 12	44 42	78	146 59	
37	106 85	36 60	79		
38	80 50	18 92	80	20 52	
39	103 31			28 26	
40	72 88	66 07			
41	80 42	57 23			
42	100 15	29 44			
				\$6,645 72	\$1,499 46

NORMAL COLLEGE, ETC,

	Average Attend- ance.	Cost per Scholar.	Cost Supplies. 1884.
Normal College.....			\$2,981 95
" " Janitor			161 85
Training School			1,865 88
" " Janitor			72 27
Nautical School.....			171 93
Evening High School.....			879 15

EVENING SCHOOLS.

SCHOOL.	Cost Supplies 1884.	SCHOOL.	Cost Supplies 1884.
E. S. 1, Male.....	\$45 71	E. S. 32, Male.....	\$199 67
" 2, Female.....	311 39	" 37, "	231 34
" 8, Male.....	107 63	" 38, Female.....	75 87
" 13, "	421 49	" 39, "	202 00
" 15, Female	81 12	" 40, Male.....	181 52
" 16, Male	261 98	" 42, "	11 50
" 18, "	232 14	" 44, "	130 83
" 19, Female	160 92	" 45, Female.....	84 85
" 20, Male	152 99	" 49, "	110 86
" 21, Female	134 22	" 57, Male.....	222 75
" 22, Male	197 63	" 58, "	353 17
" 25, "	255 12	" 59, "	175 27
" 28, Female	95 73	" 62, M. & F.....	89 32
" 29, Male	43 85	" 81, "	27 71
		Total.....	\$4,598 58

TRUSTEES' ACCOUNT.

5th Ward.....	\$2 72	17th Ward.....	\$66 27
6th "	70 22	18th "	4 54
7th "	28 98	19th "	90 19
9th "	29 29	20th "	24 80
10th "	50 00	22d "	34 59
11th "	70 15	23d "	42 75
12th "	124 93	24th "	25 53
13th "	72 65		
14th "	19 16	Total.....	\$757 32

INSPECTORS' ACCOUNT.

Inspector 1st District.....	\$1 04
“ 2d “	4 09
“ 7th “	4 14
“ 8th “	4 03
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Total.....	\$13 30

OFFICES OF THE HALL.

Clerk's Office.....	\$7 20	Inspector Fuel.....	1 24
Auditor's Office... ..	8 28	Record Office.....	\$14 33
Board Room.....	10 09	Superintendent Schools.....	46 64
Commissioners' Account.....	18 60	“ Buildings...	265 72
Committee Room.....	2 49	Janitor, Hall... ..	51 90
Commissioners' Room.....	5 75	<hr/>	
Depository.....	381 91	Total.....	\$814 15

RECAPITULATION.

1st Ward.....	\$933 07	19th Ward.....	\$25,479 41
2d “	75 61	20th “	5,810 68
2d “	112 26	21st “	5,140 66
4th “	1,844 62	22d “	12,161 72
5th “	1,580 16	22d “	4,156 77
6th “	1,636 88	24th “	2,441 17
7th “	3,802 36	Normal College.....	2,981 95
8th “	2,589 35	“ “ Janitor...	161 85
9th “	5,527 33	Training School... ..	1,865 88
10th “	8,086 47	“ “ Janitor..	72 27
11th “	6,286 04	Nautical School.....	171 93
12th “	19,478 32	Evening High School....	879 15
13th “	4,930 54	Evening Schools.....	4,598 58
14th “	1,622 35	Trustees' Account	757 32
15th “	4,778 09	Inspectors' “	13 30
16th “	5,585 06	Offices, Hall.....	814 15
17th “	8,948 68	<hr/>	
18th “	3,566 44	Total Deliveries, 1884..	\$148,968 42

**COMPARATIVE VIEW OF THE EXPENDITURE AND DELIVERY
OF SUPPLIES.**

YEAR.	EXPENDITURE.	DELIVERY.
1872.....	\$187,778 62	\$183,221 67
1873.....	179,207 89	177,220 61
1874....	171,784 42	158,973 70
1875.....	162,843 77	160,512 37
1876.....	163,514 58	166,662 62
1877.....	155,221 74	140,029 57
1878.....	120,204 18	129,642 67
1879.....	123,339 39	135,380 34
1880.....	143,447 98	136,731 45
1881.....	138,793 00	138,913 79
1882.....	136,498 22	138,260 51
1883.....	119,590 08	126,677 73
1884.	139,181 86	148,968 42

STOCK ACCOUNT, 1884.

Amount Stock on hand Dec. 31, 1883.....	\$20,956 27	Amount of Supplies de- livered to the various Schools, Janitors, etc., during the year 1884...	\$148,968 42
Amount of purchases, 1884.....	139,181 86	Amount Stock on hand Dec. 31, 1884.....	11,169 71
	<hr/> \$160,138 13		<hr/> \$160,138 13

On motion of Commissioner TAMSEN—

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes,
and that the usual number of copies be printed.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Commissioner TAMSEN offered the following :

Resolved, That the Engineer be and is hereby directed to in-

investigate into the sanitary condition of the school buildings under the jurisdiction of this Board, and report as to necessary improvements, with due haste. Special attention is called to G. S. No. 19, in the Seventeenth Ward.

Adopted.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Commissioner Wood—

The Board adjourned.

LAWRENCE D. KIERNAN,

Clerk.

For Visitation by each Commissioner, between January 1st and June 30th, 1885.

CORPORATE SCHOOLS

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21, 1885.

STATED SESSION.

Present—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners BEARDSLEE, BELL, CRAWFORD, DEVOE, GALLAWAY, HOLT, IVINS, KELLY, PERKINS, POMEROY, SCHMITT, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, TAMSEN, WALLACE, WELCH and WOOD—18.

Absent—Commissioners SIMMONS, VERMILYE and WETMORE—3.

On motion, Commissioners SIMMONS and VERMILYE were excused for absence from this meeting of the Board.

The PRESIDENT announced for consideration the minutes of the last session, and put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the session held on January 14th, as printed in the Journal, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners BEARDSLEE, BELL, DEVOE, GALLAWAY, HOLT, KELLY, PERKINS, POMEROY, SCHMITT, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, TAMSEN, WALLACE, WELCH and WOOD—16.

COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, asking for settees in the assembly room of G. S. No. 24, in place of desks and seats.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, to pay Miss E. C. Coley, Principal of P. D. G. S. No. 45, the maximum salary for fourteen years' service.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

CITY SUPERINTENDENT.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the report of the City Superintendent for the month of December, 1884, as follows :

CITY SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, }
NEW YORK, *January 21, 1885.* }

To the Honorable the Board of Education :

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to submit the following report of the transactions of the Superintendent's Department for the month of December last :

During that time the classes in the following named schools were carefully examined :

Grammar Schools Nos. 7, 21, 22, 36, 37, 53, 62, 65, 66, Male Department No. 16 ; Primary Schools Nos. 22, 23, 25, 33, 43, 46, 47 and 48—a total of 31 schools and 293 classes.

In character of instruction 227 classes were reported *excellent*, 67 *good* and 4 *fair*.

In discipline, of the 308 classes either examined or inspected 285 were reported *excellent*, 21 *good* and 2 *fair*.

In management, 25 schools were found to be *excellent* and 6 *good*.

The schools connected with the House of Refuge on Randall's Island were examined by this Department on Friday, December 12th. The Boys' Department, with a register of 661 pupils, was instructed by a corps of 14 teachers. The Girls' Department, with a register of 108 pupils, was taught by 3 teachers.

The course of instruction embraces Reading, Spelling, Arithmetic, Language Lessons, Penmanship and Geography, with Map Drawing.

Each class was examined in the prescribed studies and exercises, and was reported *excellent* both in character of instruction and in discipline. The Slate Writing, Penmanship, Map Drawing and Vocal Music deserve special commendation for their uniformly excellent character.

The entire management of these schools and the general efficiency of the instruction, lead to results of great value to the pupils. The pupils are taught from text-books similar to those used in many of our public schools, and thus the law with reference to "sectarian teaching" is complied with.

The average register in the Evening Schools during the month was 9,943, with an average attendance of 6,974, an increase of 554 in attendance when compared with the corresponding period of last year.

The Principals' Monthly reports show a register of 143,074 pupils in the Grammar and the Primary Schools on the 31st day of December, and during the month an average daily attendance of 129,545—an increase of 3,839 in enrollment, and 4,028 in attendance, as compared with the corresponding month last year.

The whole number of teachers employed, including Principals, during the month, was 3,152, or 130 greater than during December, 1883.

The whole number of days lost during December by absence of teachers was 1,806 —128 greater than the number for the same month in 1883.

Annexed will be found a schedule giving the names of teachers in whose classes the absenteeism for the month was in excess of twenty per cent.

Very respectfully,

JOHN JASPER,
City Superintendent.

List of Teachers in whose classes the absenteeism was in excess of twenty per cent. during the month of December, 1884.

School.	Name of Teacher.	Per Cent.	School.	Name of Teacher.	Per Cent.
M. D. 1.	M. F. Hurley.....	21	P. D. 40.	C. A. Geer.	25
" 46.	M. H. Maloney	24	" 43.	M. McMartin	26
" "	K. F. Donovan.....	24	" 57.	E. Sowdon.....	30
" "	A. B. Swartz.....	24	" 63.	S. B. Webb	24
" 80.	C. L. Reason.....	22	" 65.	E. Cochrane..	25
" "	E. W. Thompson....	21	" 67.	M. Seckels	21
F. D. 21.	E. T. McCloskey...	25	" 78.	A. A. Williams	23
" 41.	M. McRae.....	25	" 80.	L. P. Adair	23
" 46	H. T. Murray.....	25	" "	M. A. Lewis	28
" "	E. A. Murray	27	" "	E. B. Magnan	34
" "	N. E. MacGregor ..	23	P. S. 7.	J. Thompson.....	22
P. D. 19.	E. McKean	21	" 20.	M. E. Black... ..	25
" 24.	E. Barry	23	" "	E. Abraham	25
" 29	M. R. O'Meara.	23	" 26.	C. McCollister.....	26
" "	M. L. Jennett	22	" 34.	H. A. Hays.... ..	22
" 34.	E. Berghold	22	" "	H. Fitzgerald	37
" "	F. E. Pike.....	21	" 45.	E. Curry.....	23
" 35.	M. E. Law	21	" "	M. C. Tarbox	24
" 39.	E. L. Pratt	24	" 48.	M. P. Dechert.....	40
" 40.	K. G. Lee	24			

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Hon. Wm. B. Ruggles, State Superintendent, relative to the School taxes and moneys for the year 1885, as follows :

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION, }
SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, }
ALBANY, January 15, 1885. }

L. D. KIERNAN, Esq., Clerk Board of Education,

N. Y. City :

SIR—In compliance with your request, the following statistics are respectfully submitted :

1. Aggregate school tax raised by the State for the year beginning October 1, 1884.....	\$3,180,393 90
2. School tax paid by the City of New York. ...	1,467,079 63
3. School tax apportioned to the City of New York.....	573,656 96
4. Common School Fund apportioned to the City of New York.	35,374 34
5. United States Deposit Fund apportioned to the City of New York.....	15,966 36
6. Aggregate amount of school money appor- tioned to the City of New York.....	624,997 66

Respectfully yours,

W. B. RUGGLES,
Superintendent.

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes.

From Hon. Edward V. Loew, Comptroller, relative to the non-completion of work on contracts for heating apparatus placed in several school buildings.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

REPORTS LAID OVER UNDER THE RULE.

The PRESIDENT announced for consideration the report of the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, recommending an amendment to the by-laws, relative to the non-employment of married teachers, Journal of 1884, pp. 932, 933. P. 969. P. 1012, 1013. Journal, 1885, p. 31.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on By-Laws, &c., page 933, as amended on page 1012, Journal of 1884, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Tamsen, Wallace, Welch and Wood—13.

Nays—Commissioners Beardslee, Kelly, Perkins and Seligman—4.

Commissioner IVINS was excused from voting.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, to appoint Miss Mary A. Underhill, P. S. No. 23, as Principal of P. S. No. 27; and to consolidate Primary Schools Nos. 22 and 23, Journal of 1884, pp. 942, 943. P. 969. P. 1013. Journal of 1885. p. 31.

Commissioner Tamsen moved to amend the second resolution by striking out the words "to date from the passage of this resolution," and inserting "to date from February 1st, 1885;" which was adopted.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolutions attached to the report of the Committee found on page 943, Journal of 1884, as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Ivins, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Wallace, Welch and Wood —16.

Nay—Commissioner Beardslee—1.

Commissioner SCHMITT was excused from voting.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, relative to the salaries of teachers in the Training Department of the Normal College, Journal of 1884, pp. 1027, 1028, 1029. Journal of 1885, pp. 31, 32.

Commissioner WOOD moved that the original resolution of the Committee on Normal College, Journal of 1884, p. 900, be substituted for the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on By-Laws, &c.

Commissioner DEVOE moved that the whole subject be laid over to the next meeting of the Board.

Which was lost.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner Wood, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner Wood moved that the resolution be amended so that it shall take effect on and after February 1, 1885.

Adopted.

Commissioner IVINS moved that the resolution be referred to the Committee on By-Laws, &c., to formulate as a by-law of the Board.

Which was lost.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Normal College, Journal of 1884, p. 900, as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Beardslee, Bell, Crawford, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Schwab, Seligman, Wallace and Wood—10.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Devoe, Gallaway, Ivins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Tamsen and Welch—8.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Auditing Committee, relative to the bills of T. M. Stewart for carpet work, and Thomas Falvey for moving books, Journal, pp. 32-34.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the second resolution submitted by the Committee, Journal, p. 33, to pay T. M. Stewart \$58.07 for carpet work, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Beardslee, Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Pomeroy, Schwab, Welch and Wood—11.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Perkins, Schmitt, Seligman, Tamsen and Wallace—6.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution to pay Thomas Falvey \$25 for removing books, Journal, p. 31, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Bell, Devoe, Gallaway, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Wallace, Welch and Wood—11.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Crawford, Holt, Kelly and Pomeroy—6.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution submitted by the Committee, Journal, page 34, relative to the procuring of estimates for work required for the Hall of the Board, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Ivins, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Wallace, Welch and Wood—18.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Finance Committee, appropriating the school moneys for the year 1835, Journal, pp. 34-37.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the first resolution attached to the report of the Committee, as found on pages 35, 36, and 37 of the Journal, appropriating \$3,859,800, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Ivins, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Wallace, Welch and Wood—18.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the second resolution attached to the report of the Committee as found on page 37, reserving \$163,500 for special purposes, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Ivins, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Wallace, Welch and Wood—18.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Twenty-third to hire the premises on One Hundred and Forty-fourth street, between Third and College

avenues, for the use of Grammar Department No. 60 ; stating, that on or about February 1st, promotions will be made to the Grammar Department No. 60, in which building there is not sufficient accommodation for such promotions.

The premises proposed to be hired is a three story house and grounds, and can be hired for \$750 per annum, which is considered reasonable.

The Committee recommend that the application be granted and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the School Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward be and they hereby are authorized to lease the three-story house and grounds from Alexander Bathgate, located on the south side of East One Hundred and Forty-fourth street, between Third and College avenues, at an annual rent of \$750, for one year from February 1, 1885, to be used as a branch to Grammar Department Grammar School No. 60. The lease not to be executed until the premises shall have been inspected by the Board of Health, and pronounced by said Board to be in a satisfactory sanitary condition, and the Bureau of Buildings, of the Fire Department, shall have pronounced the means of egress amply sufficient in case of any sudden emergency.

Resolved, That the School Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward be and they hereby are authorized to advertise in the *City Record*, for two weeks, for proposals for altering and fitting up the premises on East One Hundred and Forty-fourth street, between Third and College avenue, to be occupied by the Branch of G. D. No. 60. Plans and specifications to be prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the Trustees of the Ward and Committee on Buildings.

F. W. DEVOE,	} Committee
G. SCHWAB,	
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	
	on
	Buildings.

Commissioner DEVOE asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would

adopt the first resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioner Beardslee, Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Ivins, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Wallace, Welch and Wood—18.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the second resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner DEVOE asked and obtained unanimous consent for the presentation of the following resolutions :

Resolved, That the Engineer of the Board of Education be and he is hereby appointed Sanitary Superintendent of the Public School Buildings, and he shall report to the Board whenever directed by it or its Committees, or whenever in his judgment he may deem it necessary, as to the condition of the school premises in regard to their cleanliness, drainage and sanitary condition, and all matters in relation thereto, with such recommendations as he may think necessary.

Resolved, That it be referred to the Joint Committee on Buildings and Warming and Ventilation to report to this Board a by-law regulating the duties of the Sanitary Superintendent.

Referred to the Joint Committee on Buildings and Warming and Ventilation.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, nominating Miss Hattie A. Denniston for the position of Principal of Primary Department of Grammar School No. 83 ; stating, that said communication is in the proper form, and certifies the nomination to have been made at a regularly called meeting of the Board of Trustees of said Ward, at which a majority of the whole number in office were present. The qualifications of the candi-

date are attested by the certificate of the City Superintendent, and the requirements of law having been complied with, the Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That Miss Hattie A. Denniston, nominated by the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward for the position of Principal of Primary Department of Grammar School No. 83, she having (as appears from the annexed certificate of the City Superintendent) the requisite qualifications, be and she hereby is appointed to said position, from the date of commencement of service, subsequent to the passage of this resolution.

EUGENE H. POMEROY,	} Committee on Teachers.
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	
EUGENE KELLY,	
WILLIAM WOOD,	

Commissioner SCHMITT moved that said report be laid over, and retain its order on the schedule, which was lost.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Bell, Crawford, Gallaway, Holt, Ivins, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Wallace, Welch and Wood—16.

Nays—Commissioner Tamsen—1.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward for the approval of the schedule of salaries to be paid the teachers in Female Department, G. S. No. 46 ; stating, that this is a matter which properly belongs to the Committee on By-Laws. The Committee ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the Committee on Teachers be discharged from the further consideration of the application from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward with reference to the schedule of

salaries to be paid in Female Department No. 46, and that said application be referred to the Committee on By-Laws, &c.

EUGENE H. POMEROY,	} Committee on Teachers.
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	
EUGENE KELLY,	
WILLIAM WOOD,	

Commissioner WOOD asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented a report from the Auditing Committee, stating that they have examined the accompanying bill, and believing the items thereof to be correct and the charges reasonable, recommend its payment by the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the following named bill be, and it hereby is, approved for payment :

Lawrence D. Kiernan, Postage, &c., Dec. 22 to
31, 1884.....\$42 39

HENRY SCHMITT,	} Auditing Committee.
W. B. WALLACE,	
W. J. WELCH,	
ISAAC BELL,	
H. B. PERKINS,	

Commissioner SCHMITT asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Crawford, Gallaway, Holt, Ivins, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Wallace, Welch and Wood—16.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Sites and New Schools, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, for the purchase

of a rectangular plot of ground situated on the southeast corner of Ninety-sixth street and Lexington avenue, being 100 feet 5 inches on Lexington avenue, by 160 feet on Ninety-sixth street, at a cost not to exceed \$33,000 ; stating, that there is urgent demand for school accommodation in this section of the Ward.

The Committee, therefore, recommend that the property be purchased for the sum of \$33,000, and submit a resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the sum of thirty-three thousand dollars (\$33,000) be, and the same is hereby appropriated from funds of 1884, for the purchase of a plot of ground situated on the southeast corner of Ninety-sixth street and Lexington avenue, being 100 feet 5 inches on Lexington avenue, by 160 feet on Ninety-sixth street, and the Comptroller of the City of New York is hereby authorized to pay the said sum of thirty-three thousand dollars (\$33,000) for the premises named, to be used for school purposes, upon the presentation to him of the deed for the same, together with the certificate of the Counsel to the Corporation that the title thereto is satisfactory and free from all incumbrances, and is vested in the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

EUGENE H. POMEROY,	}	<i>Committee on Sites and New Schools.</i>
G. SCHWAB,		
H. B. PERKINS,		
DE WITT J. SELIGMAN,		
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, stating, for the information of the Board, that on January 14, 1885, they transferred Patrick Kelly from the position of Inspector of the new addition built to G. S. No. 33, to the new addition in course of erection to Primary School No. 9, at a salary of \$4.50 per day for actual service.

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
G. SCHWAB,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		

Ordered, That said report be entered in the minutes and placed on file.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom were referred applications from the Trustees of several Wards, to excuse the absence of teachers, with full pay; stating, that the cause of absence in each case reported herein is personal illness.

A statement is submitted, showing the record of each applicant for the past five years.

The Committee recommend that the absences be excused, with full pay, for the time stated in the column "Time allowed," in the following resolution, which is submitted for adoption:

Resolved, That the following-named teachers be excused for absence, and granted leave of absence with full pay, for the "time allowed" herein:

WARD.	School.	Name.	Time Allowed.	Years of Service.	Instruction.	Discipline.	No. Days Lost.	Exc. with full pay.
1st.	F. D. 29.	A. B. Conklin.....	9 d. Dec.....	30	Management Excellent.		17	
	P. D. 29.	Mary A. Veitch.....	7 d. Dec.....	8	{ Ex.....4 y..... }		48	
					{ Good...1 y.Ex..... }			
	P. D. 29.	Annie I. Fitzsimones.	2 d. Dec.....	7	{ Good...1 y..... }		48	43. d.
					{ Ex.....4 y.Ex..... }			
3d.	P. S. 39.	Kate I. Carroll.....	{ 6 d. Nov.... }	8	{Fair..1 y. }		24	
			{ 18 d. Dec.... }		{Good..1 y. }			
					{ Good....Ex...3 y. }			
5th.	F. D. 44.	Sarah I. Stanton....	{ 9 d. Nov.... }	10	{ Fairly..1 y. }		8	
			{ 18 d. Dec.... }		{ Good...3 y..... }			
					{ Ex.....1 y.Ex..... }			
7th.	M. D. 2.	Joseph J. Casey.....	2 d. Nov.....	16	{ Good...1 y..... }		38	23½ d.
					{ Ex.....4 y.Ex..... }			
	P. D. 2.	Mary F. McMahon....	20 d. June.....	14	{ Good...4 y.Good..2 y. }		26	27 d.
					{ Ex.....1 y.Ex...3 y. }			
	P. D. 31.	Mary S. Ketchan....	4 d. 2 h. Dec..	28	Management Excellent.		20	7 d.
8th.	P. S. 25.	Emily A. Shepard....	8 d. Dec.....	16	{ Good...4 y.Good..2 y. }		18	7½ d.
					{ Ex.....1 y.Ex...3 y. }			
9th.	F. D. 3.	Emma S. Jones.....	4 d. Dec.....	20	Ex.....Ex.....		39	8 d.
	F. D. 41.	M. Augusta Rhoda....	10 d. Dec.....	22	Ex.....Ex.....		1	.....
	F. D. 41.	Maggie E. McRae....	8 d. Dec.....	16	Ex.....Ex.....		8	.....
10th.	P. D. 20.	Agnes J. Wright.....	5 d. Dec.....	27	Ex.....Ex.....		14	.....
	P. D. 42.	S. Florence Searle....	6 d. Dec.....	6	Ex.....Ex.....		43	.....
	M. D. 75.	John Demarest.....	3 d. Dec.....	26	{ Good...2 y..... }		27	14 d.
					{ Ex.....3 y.Ex..... }			
11th.	F. D. 71.	Urania D. Secord....	3 d. Dec.....	26	Management Excellent.		78	57½ d.
					{ Ex.....2 y..... }			
	M. D. 15.	Mary A. Beliby.....	3 d. Nov.....	20	{ Good...2 y..... }		25	3 d.
					{ Fair...1 y.Ex..... }			
	P. D. 86.	Mary Gillen.....	2 d. Dec.....	20	Ex.....Ex.....		16	.....

WARD.	School.	Name.	Time Allowed.	Years of Service.	Instruction.	Discipline.	No. Days Lost.	Exc. with full pay.
12th.	F. D. 78.	Gertrude E. Weed...	3 d. Dec.....	17	{ Ex.....3 y..... Good...1 y.Ex....4 y. General Assistant.1 y. }		19	7 d.
	F. D. 37.	Margaret Lawson.....	5½ d. June....	21	{ Ex.....4 y..... Good...1 y.Ex..... }		93	12½ d.
12th.	F. D. 34.	Eleanor L. McDermott	3 d. Dec.....	24	Ex.....Ex.....		36	.....
15th.	P. D. 10.	Mary A. Connell.....	2 d. Dec.....	18	{ Ex.....2 y.Ex....4 y. Good...3 y.Good..1 y. }		15	.....
16th.	M. D. 55.	Jennie Caldwell.....	1 d. Dec... ..	29	{ Good...1 y..... Ex.....4 y.Ex..... }		29	11 d.
	F. D. 45.	Alice T. Knox.....	13 d. Dec.....	10	Ex.....Ex.....		10	.....
	F. D. 45.	Rosalie A. Salingre...	2 d. Dec.....	19	Ex.....Ex.....		22	8 d.
	M. D. 11.	Marie C. Lamb.....	2½ d. Dec.....	19	Good.....Ex.....		69	30½ d.
	P. D. 56.	Ida L. Pollock.....	3 d. Dec.....	11	Ex.....Ex.....		28	23 d.
17th.	P. D. 13.	Teresa M. Riley.....	2 d. Dec.....	18	{ Ex.....4 y..... Good...1 y.Ex..... }		59	8 d.
	P. D. 13.	Anna M. Payne.....	3 d. Dec.....	6	{ Ex.....2 y.Ex....4 y. Good...3 y.Good..1 y. }		18	.....
	P. S. 22.	Margaret A. Thistle...	1 d. Dec.....	6	Ex.....Ex.....		28	.....
19th.	M. D. 70.	Theresa E. Florence..	16 d. Dec.....	15	{ Fair....1 y..... Good...1 y.Good..1 y. Ex.....3 y.Ex....4 y. }		72	13½ d.
20th.	G. D. 33.	Cecilia W. Steward...	2 d. Dec.....	21	Ex.....Ex.....		17	15 d.
22d.	M. D. 51.	Frederick W. James..	3 d. Dec.....	31	Management Exce'lent.		5	1 d.
24d.	G. D. 60.	Jennie E. Rowe.....	9 d. Dec.....	7	Ex.....Ex.....		68	20 d.
	P. D. 60.	Caroline L. Purdy....	5 d. Dec.....	31	Management Excellent.		9	.....
		Augusta W. Hartley..	1 d. Dec.. A..	18	{ Ex....1 y..... Good...4 y.Ex..... }		62	22 d.

GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,
EUGENE H. POMEROY,
EUGENE KELLY,
WILLIAM WOOD,

} Committee
on
Teachers.

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, stating, that they have had under consideration an application from the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward to pay Misses Rosalie Bibo, Jessie S. Derx and Josephine Breitenberger, for services performed temporarily during the month of September last in M. D. No. 15 and P. S. No. 5, in place of teachers whose resignations were accepted to take effect on September 15th, although said last referred to teachers rendered no service during the month.

The service of these temporary teachers was rendered in good faith, and was accepted by the Trustees, and the committee recommend that they be paid \$13.50, \$7.77 and \$6.66,

respectively, being the amounts deducted from the pay-rolls for the month of September.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the following named teachers be paid the amounts stated herein for services rendered temporarily during the month of September, 1884, and that all by-laws or parts of by-laws inconsistent herewith be suspended for the purposes of this resolution :

Rosalie Bibo, M. D. No. 15	\$13 50
Jessie S. Derx, P. S. No. 5.	7 77
Josephine Breitenberger, M. D. No. 15.. . . .	6 66

GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	} Committee on Teachers.
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	
WILLIAM WOOD,	
EUGENE KELLY,	

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom were referred the applications from the Trustees of the Seventh and Eighteenth Wards, asking that Miss Mary S. Ketcham, Principal of Primary Department No. 31, and Miss Mary J. Moran, Vice-Principal of Primary Department No. 50, respectively, be paid the same salary in 1885, as paid them in 1884 ; stating, that to comply with the request of the Trustees would necessitate a suspension of sec. 35 of the by-laws, which prescribes the salaries to be paid Principals and Vice-Principals.

Your Committee are opposed to special legislation in the case of these teachers, for the reason that the by-laws were enacted for the purpose of providing uniform salaries for all teachers employed throughout the system, and to suspend the by-laws for the purpose of legislating for individual cases, would defeat the object for which these by-laws were framed.

The Committee recommend that the applications be denied, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the application from the Trustees of the Seventh and Eighteenth Wards to pay Miss Mary S. Ketcham, Principal of Primary Department No. 31, and Miss Mary

J. Moran, Vice-Principal, of Primary Department No. 50, respectively, the same salary in 1885 as paid in 1884, be, and the same is hereby denied, the same being contrary to sections 35 of the by-laws.

EUGENE H. POMEROY,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		
EUGENE KELLY,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the appeal of Miss Rachel S. Gorlitz, a teacher in P. D. No. 25, from the action of the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, in appointing a teacher in said department to a vacancy above the position held by her; stating, that a vacancy occurred in P. D. G. S. No. 25, and the Trustees appointed a teacher to said position, instead of promoting Miss Gorlitz.

Inasmuch as Miss Gorlitz has not been changed either in position or salary, she has no right of appeal, as contemplated in the by-laws of the Board and general statutes of the State.

The Committee, therefore, recommend that the appeal be dismissed, the Board having no jurisdiction in the matter. The following resolution is submitted for adoption:

Resolved, That the appeal of Miss Rachel S. Gorlitz, a teacher in Primary Department, Grammar School No. 25, be dismissed, this Board having no jurisdiction in the matter.

EUGENE H. POMEROY,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented a report from the Auditing Committee, stating, that they have examined the accompanying bill, and believing the items thereof to be correct and the charges reasonable, recommend its payment by the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the following named bill be, and it hereby is approved for payment :

B. Moynahan, Dictation from President Walker, and transcript of address to Board of Education, January 15, 1885..	\$8 25
To three copies of letter to Mr. Ivins, January 13, 1885.....	1 44
	<hr/> \$9 69

HENRY SCHMITT,	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
H. B. PERKINS,	
ISAAC BELL,	
W. J. WELCH,	
W. B. WALLACE,	

Commissioner SCHMITT asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Crawford, Gallaway, Holt, Ivins, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Wallace, Welch and Wood—16.

BY THE PRESIDENT.

The PRESIDENT appointed the Standing Committees for the year 1885, as follows :

1.—*Finance Committee.*

JACOB D. VERMILYE, *Chairman.*

Messrs. Beardslee, Bell, Kelly and Seligman.

2.—*Committee on Teachers.*

DAVID WETMORE, *Chairman.*

Messrs. Crawford, Kelly, Pomeroy and Wood.

3.—*Committee on Buildings.*

FREDERIC W. DEVOE, *Chairman.*

Messrs. Gallaway, Pomeroy, Schwab and Wetmore.

4.—*Committee on Supplies.*

DEWITT J. SELIGMAN, *Chairman.*

Messrs. Holt, Perkins, Schmitt and Wetmore.

5.—*Auditing Committee.*

HENRY SCHMITT, *Chairman.*

Messrs. Bell, Perkins, Seligman and Wallace.

6.—*Committee on Sites and New Schools.*

EUGENE H. POMEROY, *Chairman.*

Messrs. Beardslee, Holt, Schwab and Wallace.

7.—*Committee on Course of Study and School Books.*

WILLIAM WOOD, *Chairman.*

Messrs. Crawford, Ivins, Tamsen and Wallace.

8.—*Committee on School Furniture.*

WM. J. WELCH, *Chairman.*

Messrs. Holt, Perkins, Tamsen and Vermilye.

9.—*Committee on Normal College.*

WM. WOOD, *Chairman.*

Messrs. Bell, Kelly, Simmons and Schwab.

10.—*Committee on Evening Schools.*

RUFUS G. BEARDSLEE, *Chairman.*

Messrs. Gallaway, Ivins, Perkins and Welch.

11.—*Committee on Warming and Ventilation.*

GUSTAV SCHWAB, *Chairman.*

Messrs. Devoe, Gallaway, Schmitt and Welch.

12.—*Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.*

J. EDWARD SIMMONS, *Chairman.*

Messrs. Beardslee, Crawford, Pomeroy and Wood.

13.—*Executive Committee on Nautical School.*

DAVID WETMORE, *Chairman.*

Messrs. Bell, Gallaway, Perkins and Simmons.

14.—*Committee on Annual Report.*

WM. M. IVINS, *Chairman.*

Messrs. Beardslee, Pomeroy, Seligman and Welch.

15.—*Committee on Nomination of Trustees.*

EDWARD J. H. TAMSEN, *Chairman.*

Messrs. Beardslee, Bell, Devoe, Kelly, Perkins, Wallace, Wetmore and Vermilye.

ADJOURMENT.

On motion of Commissioner CRAWFORD—

The Board adjourned.

LAWRENCE D. KIERNAN,

Clerk.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1885.

STATED SESSION.

Present—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners BELL, CRAWFORD, DEVOE, GALLAWAY, HOLT, IVINS, PERKINS, POMEROY, SCHMITT, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, SIMMONS, TAMSEN, WALLACE, WELCH and WOOD—17.

Absent—Commissioners BEARDSLEE, KELLY, VERMILYE and WETMORE—4.

On motion of Commissioner SCHWAB, Commissioner VERMILYE was excused for absence from this meeting of the Board.

The PRESIDENT announced for consideration the minutes of the last session, held on January 21.

Commissioner POMEROY moved that page 66 be amended by striking out from the sixteenth line from the top of the page the amount “\$3,859,800,” and inserting “\$3,696,300.”

Which was adopted.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the session held on January 14th, as printed in the Journal, and amended, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners BELL, CRAWFORD, DEVOE, GALLAWAY, HOLT, IVINS, PERKINS, POMEROY, SCHMITT, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, SIMMONS, TAMSEN, WELCH and WOOD—16.

COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

salaries to be paid in Female Department No. 46, and that said application be referred to the Committee on By-Laws, &c.

EUGENE H. POMEROY, GILBERT H. CRAWFORD, EUGENE KELLY, WILLIAM WOOD,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
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Commissioner WOOD asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented a report from the Auditing Committee, stating that they have examined the accompanying bill, and believing the items thereof to be correct and the charges reasonable, recommend its payment by the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the following named bill be, and it hereby is, approved for payment :

Lawrence D. Kiernan, Postage, &c., Dec. 22 to	
31, 1884...	\$42 39

HENRY SCHMITT, W. B. WALLACE, W. J. WELCH, ISAAC BELL, H. B. PERKINS,	}	<i>Auditing Committee.</i>
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Commissioner SCHMITT asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Crawford, Gallaway, Holt, Ivins, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Wallace, Welch and Wood—16.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Sites and New Schools, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, for the purchase

of a rectangular plot of ground situated on the southeast corner of Ninety-sixth street and Lexington avenue, being 100 feet 5 inches on Lexington avenue, by 160 feet on Ninety-sixth street, at a cost not to exceed \$33,000 ; stating, that there is urgent demand for school accommodation in this section of the Ward.

The Committee, therefore, recommend that the property be purchased for the sum of \$33,000, and submit a resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the sum of thirty-three thousand dollars (\$33,000) be, and the same is hereby appropriated from funds of 1884, for the purchase of a plot of ground situated on the southeast corner of Ninety-sixth street and Lexington avenue, being 100 feet 5 inches on Lexington avenue, by 160 feet on Ninety-sixth street, and the Comptroller of the City of New York is hereby authorized to pay the said sum of thirty-three thousand dollars (\$33,000) for the premises named, to be used for school purposes, upon the presentation to him of the deed for the same, together with the certificate of the Counsel to the Corporation that the title thereto is satisfactory and free from all incumbrances, and is vested in the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

EUGENE H. POMEROY,	}	<i>Committee on Sites and New Schools.</i>
G. SCHWAB,		
H. B. PERKINS,		
DE WITT J. SELIGMAN,		
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, stating, for the information of the Board, that on January 14, 1885, they transferred Patrick Kelly from the position of Inspector of the new addition built to G. S. No. 33, to the new addition in course of erection to Primary School No. 9, at a salary of \$4.50 per day for actual service.

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
G. SCHWAB,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, asking for a new piano for P. S. No. 26.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, asking for a suspension of the by-laws to pay the bills of Frederick Ehrhart, for plumbing, G. S. No. 25, \$15.18; and John Neal & Co., for heating apparatus, repairs, G. S. No. 25, \$3.36.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, asking that Misses Margaret E. Coghlan and Annie F. Thorne be paid for services in P. D. G. S. No. 40 and 50, for January, 1884.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, for a change of furniture in the yard class-rooms of G. S. No. 77.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for payment of a bill of Dr. John Gleises, for professional attendance on a pupil in P. S. No. 35.

Referred to the Auditing Committee.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, asking for an iron stairway on the rear of G. S. No. 32.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, relative to the drainage, &c., caused by excavations for the addition to G. S. No. 32, and asking for an appropriation of two hundred dollars for repairs, &c.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, for authority to appoint a General Teacher, without class, to act in both departments of G. S. No. 9.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, making the award of contract for erecting iron stairways for P. D. G. S. No. 60, to John J. Bowes, and asking for an appropriation for said object of \$2,890.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, asking for payment of a bill of E. A. McLean & Co., for repairs, &c., amounting to \$14.37.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

CITY SUPERINTENDENT.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications from the City Superintendent :

The annual report of the City Superintendent for the year 1884.

On motion of Commissioner Wood—

Ordered, That the usual number of copies be printed for distribution.

A communication relative to the State law which provides that pupils shall be instructed in physiology and hygiene, with special reference to the effects of alcoholic drinks, stimulants and narcotics upon the human system, and recommending that the Board take such action as it may deem proper.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

The report of the City Superintendent on the transactions of the Truancy Department for the month of January, as follows :

CITY SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, }
NEW YORK, *February 4, 1885.* }

To the Honorable the Board of Education :

GENTLEMEN—In compliance with the by-laws, I present the

The total number of cases investigated and closed was 1,198. Of this number 253 reported as truants, and 120 as non-attendants, were placed in schools.

Very respectfully,

SCHEDULE.

Total number of cases investigated and closed.....	1,198
Children kept at home by parents... ..	282
“ “ sickness	178
“ “ poverty.....	30
“ taught at home.....	0
“ physically or mentally disqualified.....	8
“ transferred from one school to another...	82
“ under 8 and over 14 years of age.....	33
“ withdrawn from school } left the city....	13
} gone to work...	20
“ whose residence could not be found.....	171
“ found to be truants and returned to school.....	253
“ found to be truants and committed to Re- formatory Institutions by parent through agent.....	4

Children found to be non-attendants and placed in school... ..	120
“ found to be non-attendants and committed to Reformatory Institutions by parent through agent.	4
Total.	1,198
<i>Ordered</i> , That said report be entered in full in the minutes.	

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS. .

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From M. B. Stafford, a proposal to place his ventilating apparatus in P. S. No. 11, in Vestry street.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

From Thomas Lyons, a bill for extra work done in connection with his contract for altering and fitting up premises No. 626 Washington street, for P. S. No. 7 ; amount, \$106.42.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From John Kent, asking for permission to inspect the premises of P. S. No. 3, in Cannon street, with reference to the dampness of the walls, &c.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From several Trustees of P. S. No. 22, appealing from the action of the Board of Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward in the reduction of their positions and salaries by the consolidation of P. S. Nos. 22 and 23.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From Max Weingarten, asking that his pencil-sharpener be added to the list of supplies.

Referred to the Committee on Supplies.

From Misses C. A. Bell and Kate E. Hogan, M. D. G. S. No.

58, appealing from the action of the Trustees in rearranging the salaries to their detriment.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From Miss Wilhelmina M. Bonesteel, Principal of P. D. G. S. No. 53, asking that she be paid the maximum salary for fourteen years' service in her position.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From residents at Inwood, asking that Mr. Thomas Moore be appointed Principal of G. S. No. 52.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From Jerome Hopkins, asking for permission to instruct pupils of the Public Schools in music without charge.

On motion of Commissioner SIMMONS—

Ordered, That said communication be laid on the table.

From Henry P. West, Trustee of the Fourteenth Ward, tendering his resignation, as follows:

No. 183 GRAND STREET,
NEW YORK, *January 31st*, 1885. }

To the Honorable Board of Education:

GENTLEMEN—Owing to the complimentary manner in which I was appointed a Trustee of Common Schools for the Fourteenth Ward by your honorable body, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of my friend Henry Manron, I qualified. I now tender you my resignation as a Trustee of said Ward, and retire, after a service of about twenty-eight years as Trustee and Commissioner, from a field of labor in which I have taken deep interest.

In the capacity of a private citizen the Public Schools of this city will never fade from my memory nor cease to occupy a prominent place in my heart.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY P. WEST.

Referred to the Committee on Nomination of Trustees.

On motion of Commissioner WOOD—

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes.

Commissioner WOOD presented the report of the President of the Normal College for the year 1884.

On motion of Commissioner WOOD—

Ordered, That the usual number of copies be printed.

RESOLUTIONS TO BE REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Commissioner POMEROY offered the following :

Resolved, That for the purpose of carrying out the purposes of the resolution with reference to longevity pay of Primary Teachers (page 1004, Journal of 1884), it be, and hereby is referred to the Committee on By-Laws of this Board, to examine the subject, and to report the result, and a proposed by-law to carry the same into effect.

Adopted.

Commissioner DEVOE offered the following :

Resolved, That the wages of the draughtsmen employed under authority of the resolution adopted Dec. 30, 1884 (Journal, pp. 1032, 1033) for the months of January and February, 1885, at a sum not to exceed a total of \$75 per week, and the wages of inspectors of new buildings, &c., for the year 1885, at the rate of \$4.50 per day each, for actual service, be paid from the Reserve Fund.

Adopted.

Commissioner SIMMONS moved that the clerk of the Board transmit to each of the gentlemen whose names are appended to the petition in the matter of Mr. Jerome Hopkins, a copy of the resolutions adopted by the Board on December 17th, 1884. (Journal of 1884, pages 1002–1004).

Adopted.

BY THE PRESIDENT.

The PRESIDENT announced that he had received the resignation of Commissioner PERKINS as a member of the Committee on Evening Schools.

Commissioner SIMMONS moved that said resignation be accepted.

Which was adopted.

The PRESIDENT appointed Commissioner SCHMITT to fill the vacancy.

REPORTS LAID OVER UNDER THE RULE.

The PRESIDENT announced for consideration the report of the Committee on Teachers, to excuse absences of teachers, with full pay, Journal, p. 62.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Teachers, found on page 72, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Ivins, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Wallace, Welch and Wood —17.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, to pay several teachers for temporary services in M. D. G. S. No. 15, and P. S. No. 5, Journal, pp. 73, 74.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, denying applications to pay Miss Mary S. Ketcham, Principal P. D. G. S. No. 31, and Miss Mary J. Moran, Vice-Principal P. D. No. 50, the same salary in 1885 as in 1884, Journal, pp. 74, 75.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would

adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee (Journal, pp. 74, 75), and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, dismissing the appeal of Miss Rachel S. Gorlitz, P. D. G. S. No. 25, relative to the appointment of a teacher to her alleged detriment, Journal, p. 75.

Adopted.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Joint Committee on Buildings and Warming and Ventilation, relative to the duties of the Engineer of the Board, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Joint Committee on Buildings and Warming and Ventilation, to whom was referred the matter of preparing amendments to the by-laws, with reference to the duties of the Engineer (January 21st), respectfully submits herewith a statement of the by-laws, which, in their opinion, require amendment to conform to the views expressed in the resolution found on Journal, p. 68.

Respectfully submitted,

EUGENE H. POMEROY,
F. W. DEVOE,
GUSTAV SCHWAB,
R. M. GALLAWAY,
W. J. WELCH,
HENRY SCHMITT,

} *Joint
Committee,
&c.*

ARTICLE X.—DUTIES OF THE DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT OF BUILDINGS.

§ 30. It shall be the duty of the Deputy Superintendent of Buildings to examine all the heating and ventilating apparatus used in the school buildings under the control of the Board in reference to their capacity to heat and ventilate the buildings, their safety and condition as to repairs, and the care and

economy shown in their management by the Janitors having them in charge; he shall also examine the plumbing and drainage of the school buildings, and, under the direction of the Committee on Buildings, and on Warming and Ventilation, prepare and approve all plans and specifications for plumbing, drainage and heating apparatus, and for repairing, improvements and alterations thereof. He shall also make similar examination as to the sanitary condition of the school buildings, and he shall report the result of all such examinations to the Committee on Buildings, or to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, except that in regard to the buildings of the Normal College and Training Department he shall act under the direction of the Committee on Normal College, and report to the same.

He shall also superintend all work done in connection with heating, ventilating, plumbing, drainage, and sanitary improvement, whether said work be done by contract or otherwise; he shall examine all such work when done before it is accepted, and the bills therefor as they are presented, and shall correct the same, if necessary, and certify to their correctness, if approved. His certificate shall be authority to the Superintendent of Buildings in respect to certificate to be given by him for the payment of bills for work done by contract or otherwise.

Page 92, line 12, add:

“And whether the buildings and the rooms thereof are in good sanitary condition.”

Change title, pages 138, 139, 140 and 142.

Referred to the Committee on By-laws, Elections and Qualifications.

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

Commissioner SCHWAB presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, with reference to placing the New York Ventilator Company's ap-

paratus, &c., in the new building, corner Seventieth street and First avenue, stating that the Engineer, to whom the matter was referred by your Committee, reports that the cost of putting in and running this apparatus would, in his judgment, prevent its use in the Public Schools.

The Committee, therefore, recommend that the application be denied, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the application of the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward to place the New York Ventilator Company's apparatus in the new building, corner of Seventieth street and First avenue, be and the same is hereby denied.

GUSTAV SCHWAB,	} Committee
F. W. DEVOE,	
W. J. WELCH,	
R. M. GALLAWAY,	
HENRY SCHMITT,	
	on
	Warming
	and
	Ventilation.

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the appeal of Miss Margaret T. Guernsey, from the action of the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, in dispensing with her services as an assistant teacher in Primary Department Grammar School No. 26 ; stating, that there being one teacher in excess in P. D. No. 26, for 1885, on account of a decreased attendance of pupils, the Trustees arranged the schedule of salaries for 1885, for twelve teachers, instead of thirteen, employed in 1884, and dispensed with the services of Miss Guernsey.

The Committee are not aware of any authority on the part of this Board by which this decision of the Trustees may be reviewed or altered, nor are they prepared to say that any interference with the action of the local officers would be wise, or is necessary.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the appeal of Miss Margaret T. Guernsey, from the action of the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, in re-

lieving her of duty as assistant teacher in Primary Department Grammar School No. 26, be and the same is hereby dismissed.

EUGENE H. POMEROY,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, nominating John Walsh for the position of Principal of Male Department of Grammar School No. 74; stating, that said communication is in the proper form, and certifies the nomination to have been made at a regularly called meeting of the Board of Trustees of said Ward, at which a majority of the whole number in office were present. The qualifications of the candidate are attested by the certificate of the City Superintendent, and the requirements of law having been complied with, the Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That Mr. John Walsh, nominated by the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward for the position of Principal of Male Department of Grammar School No. 74, he having (as appears from the annexed certificate of the City Superintendent) the requisite qualifications, be and he hereby is appointed to said position, from the date of commencement of service, subsequent to the passage of this resolution.

EUGENE H. POMEROY,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Eighth Ward, for the payment of the bill of Isaac A. Hopper, amounting to \$261, for shoring up the walls of Grammar School building No. 8; stating, that a large building

was about to be erected adjoining this school, and notice was served on this Board to protect the walls of the school building in a proper manner.

The work was imperatively necessary, and, as it was impossible to estimate the cost of the work at the time, the Committee instructed the Superintendent of School Buildings to have the school property protected, and an expense of \$261 was thereby incurred.

The Committee recommend that the bill be paid, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the sum of two hundred and sixty-one dollars (\$261) be, and the same is hereby appropriated from the funds of 1884, for the payment of the bill of Isaac A. Hopper, for shoring up the walls, &c., of Grammar School Building No. 8, and that all by-laws, or parts of by-laws inconsistent herewith, be suspended for the purpose of this resolution. The bill to be paid on the approval of the Superintendent of School Buildings and Committee on Buildings.

F. W. DEVOE,	} Committee on Buildings.
G. SCHWAB,	
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	
R. M. GALLAWAY,	

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, stating, that on November 24, 1884, Mr. M. B. Mook notified this Board of his intention to build on his lot adjoining the premises No. 174 Mulberry street, used as the workshop of the Board of Education, and to take such measures as the Board may deem necessary to protect its property.

The Committee instructed the Superintendent of School Buildings to take charge of the matter and see that the property of the Board was protected. He thereby incurred an expense of \$102.85, which the Committee recommend be paid, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the sum of one hundred and two $\frac{85}{100}$ dollars

lieving her of duty as assistant teacher in Primary Department Grammar School No. 26, be and the same is hereby dismissed.

EUGENE H. POMEROY,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, nominating John Walsh for the position of Principal of Male Department of Grammar School No. 74; stating, that said communication is in the proper form, and certifies the nomination to have been made at a regularly called meeting of the Board of Trustees of said Ward, at which a majority of the whole number in office were present. The qualifications of the candidate are attested by the certificate of the City Superintendent, and the requirements of law having been complied with, the Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That Mr. John Walsh, nominated by the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward for the position of Principal of Male Department of Grammar School No. 74, he having (as appears from the annexed certificate of the City Superintendent) the requisite qualifications, be and he hereby is appointed to said position, from the date of commencement of service, subsequent to the passage of this resolution.

EUGENE H. POMEROY,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		

Laid over under the rule.

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was about to be erected adjoining this school, and notice was served on this Board to protect the walls of the school building in a proper manner.

The work was imperatively necessary, and, as it was impossible to estimate the cost of the work at the time, the Committee instructed the Superintendent of School Buildings to have the school property protected, and an expense of \$261 was thereby incurred.

The Committee recommend that the bill be paid, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the sum of two hundred and sixty-one dollars (\$261) be, and the same is hereby appropriated from the funds of 1884, for the payment of the bill of Isaac A. Hopper, for shoring up the walls, &c., of Grammar School Building No. 8, and that all by-laws, or parts of by-laws inconsistent herewith, be suspended for the purpose of this resolution. The bill to be paid on the approval of the Superintendent of School Buildings and Committee on Buildings.

F. W. DEVOE,	} Committee on Buildings.
G. SCHWAB,	
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	
R. M. GALLAWAY,	

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, stating, that on November 24, 1884, Mr. M. B. Mook notified this Board of his intention to build on his lot adjoining the premises No. 174 Mulberry street, used as the workshop of the Board of Education, and to take such measures as the Board may deem necessary to protect its property.

The Committee instructed the Superintendent of School Buildings to take charge of the matter and see that the property of the Board was protected. He thereby incurred an expense of \$102.85, which the Committee recommend be paid, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the sum of one hundred and two $\frac{85}{100}$ dollars

(\$102.85) be and the same is hereby appropriated from the funds of 1884, in payment of the bill of Walter Powers for shoring up, &c., the house No. 174 Mulberry street. Said bill to be paid on the approval of the Superintendent of School Buildings and Committee on Buildings.

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
G. SCHAWB,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom were referred applications from the Trustees of the Ninth and Eighteenth Wards to pay the following named persons for services rendered temporarily as Janitrix of P. S. No. 24 and G. S. No. 40, respectively :

Mrs. Mary F. Hunt, P. S. 24, March 24-31, 1884.....	\$9 80
Mrs. Margaret Sturgeon, G. S. 40, Nov. 8-15, 1884....	19 83

—stating, that they performed the duties of Janitrix from the date of death of the Janitor of the respective schools named to the date of appointment of new Janitors. The salary of the position for the time designated has not been paid, and the Committee, therefore, recommend that the applications be granted.

A resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the following named persons be paid the sums named herein, for services rendered, temporarily, in taking charge of premises of Primary School No. 24, and Grammar School No. 40 :

Mrs. Mary F. Hunt, P. S. 24, March 24-31, 1884..	\$9 80
Mrs. Margaret Sturgeon, G. S. 40, Nov. 8-15, 1884	19 83

To be paid from the funds appropriated in 1884.

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
G. SCHWAB,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Fourteenth Ward, for authority to advertise for proposals to erect iron stairways to Grammar School building No. 30; stating, that the Fire Department has ordered the Trustees to have erected on the north and south sides of the building of G. S. No. 30, an outside fire escape, inasmuch as in their opinion there are not sufficient means of escape in case of fire.

The Committee recommend that the application be granted, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the School Trustees for the Fourteenth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to advertise in the *City Record* for two weeks, for proposals for placing an outside fire escape on the north and south sides of Grammar School building No. 30. Plans and specifications to be prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the Trustees of the said Ward and Committee on Buildings.

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
G. SCHWAB,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, relative to connecting the schools with the Fire Department by fire alarm, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Committee on Buildings, in the matter of the communication from the Fire Department, with reference to connecting the Public School buildings with the Fire Department by means of the "Special Building Signal," respectfully report :

The Board of Estimate and Apportionment have set apart the sum of \$16,000 for doing this work, and as the Board is required, under the law, to comply with the demands of the Fire Department, the Committee respectfully recommend that they

be authorized to advertise for proposals for doing the work, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the Committee on Buildings be, and they hereby are authorized to advertise in the *City Record* for two weeks, for proposals for connecting the Public School buildings with the Fire Department Headquarters, by means of the "Special Building Signal," in accordance with plans and specifications to be prepared by the Fire Department.

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
G. SCHWAB,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the bill of J. W. Jones, for extra work done in connection with his contract for alterations and repairs of drainage, &c., of G. S. No. 26, amounting to \$127.22; stating, that the work represented by the bill was necessary, and was done by agreement with the Trustees and the Superintendent of School Buildings, under the provisions of the contract. The charges are reasonable, and as agreed upon.

The Committee recommend that the bill be paid, and submit a resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the sum of one hundred and twenty-seven ²²/₁₀₀ dollars (\$127.22) be, and the same is hereby appropriated from the funds of 1884, for the payment of the following named bill for extra work done in connection with contract for alterations and repairs of drainage in Grammar School No. 26, in the Twentieth Ward :

J. W. Jones \$127.22

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
G. SCHAWB,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Third Ward, to rehire the premises No. 67 Warren street for one year from May 1, 1885, at an annual rent of \$2,400 ; stating, that the lease of these premises, which are occupied by Primary School No. 37, will expire on May 1, 1885. The Trustees propose to rehire the same for one year, on the same terms as the lease now in force.

As the premises are needed for school purposes, the Committee recommend that the application be granted, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the School Trustees for the Third Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to rehire the premises No. 67 Warren street, for the use of Primary School No. 37, for one year from May 1, 1885, at an annual rent of \$2,400 ; the other provisions of the lease applicable to be the same as those now in force.

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
G. SCHWAB,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented a report from the Auditing Committee, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, asking for the payment of two bills of Edward Humphrey, for removing books, slates, maps, pianos, chairs, desks, &c., to and from Grammar Schools Nos. 12 and 31, amounting to \$65.80 ; stating, that it became necessary that said books, &c., should be removed, in consequence of the consolidation of Male Department Grammar School No. 31 with Male Department of Grammar School No. 12, and the transfer of Female Department No. 12 to Grammar School No. 31. The Trustees employed Mr. Humphrey to do the work, and now ask that said bills be paid. The Committee, believing the bills to be just and reasonable, recommend that they be paid, and submit for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the application from the Trustees of the Seventh

Ward, asking for the payment of two bills of Edward Humphrey, for removing books, slates, maps, pianos, chairs, desks, &c., to and from Grammar Schools Nos. 12 and 31, amounting to sixty-five ,^s/₁₀₀ dollars, be, and the same are hereby approved for payment, to be paid from the Incidental Fund of the Board of Education.

HENRY SCHMITT, DEWITT J. SELIGMAN, W. B. WALLACE, ISAAC BELL, H. B. PERKINS,	}	<i>Auditing Committee.</i>
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Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented a report from the Auditing Committee, stating, that they have examined the accompanying bills, and believing the items thereof to be correct and the charges reasonable, recommend their payment by the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the following named bills be, and they hereby are approved for payment :

R. Evertsberg, subscription to *Staats Zeitung*, July

1 to Dec. 31, 1884 \$4 74

Account of 1885.

L. D. Kiernan, postage, &c., Jan. 3 to Feb. 3, 1885 \$88 72

HENRY SCHMITT, H. B. PERKINS, ISAAC BELL, W. B. WALLACE, DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,	}	<i>Auditing Committee.</i>
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Commsisioner SCHMITT asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Ivins, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Wallace, Welch and Wood—17.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented a report from the Auditing Committee, stating, that they have examined the accompanying bills, and believing the items thereof to be correct, and the charges reasonable, recommend their payment by the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the following named bills be, and they hereby are approved for payment:

Account of 1884 :

Samuel G. French, moving coal scales, May 29 to Dec. 30, 1884.....	\$129 00
Samuel G. French, moving coal from broken bin, G. S. No. 1, July 28, 1884.....	6 00
The Hektograph Manufacturing Company, hektograph refilled for Superintendent School Buildings, December 31, 1884.....	9 00
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	\$144 00

Account of 1885 :

Henry Seibert & Bro., lithographing 500 Teachers' Diplomas, City Superintendent's office, Jan. 17, 1885.....	\$52 50
W. A. Schroeter, cleaning and repairing clock, Auditor's office, Jan. 3, 1885.....	4 50
A. Freutal, repairing crank for hoisting apparatus in Depository, Jan. 3, 1885.....	1 25
Jordan & Moriarty, two walnut swivel chairs for City Superintendent's office, Jan. 8, 1885....	15 00
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Account of 1885.....	\$73 25
Account of 1884.....	144 00
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	\$217 25

HENRY SCHMITT, DEWITT J. SELIGMAN, W. B. WALLACE, ISAAC BELL, H. B. PERKINS,	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
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Commissioner SCHMITT asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Ivins, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Wallace, Welch and Wood—15.

Nays—Commissioners Crawford and Tamsen—2.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, to excuse the absence of Miss Catharine Connolly, P. D. G. S. No. 67, for nine days in December last, with full pay ; stating, that the cause of absence was personal illness.

Miss Connolly has been employed seventeen years ; her record for the past five years is “good” and “excellent;” has been absent fifty-one days, and has not been excused with full pay.

The Committee recommend that the application be granted, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the following named teacher be excused for absence with full pay from the time stated herein :

Miss Catharine Connolly, Primary Department No. 67, 9 days in December.

EUGENE H. POMEROY,	} Committee
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	
WILLIAM WOOD,	
	on
	Teachers.

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner BELL presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Sites and New Schools, recommending an appropriation of thirty-three thousand dollars (\$33,000) for a site on Lexington avenue and Ninety-sixth street ; stating, that the Board has the financial ability to appropriate said sum from the School House

Bond account, the balance of this fund unappropriated being \$97,111. The report of the Committee on Sites and New Schools is on pages 70 and 71 of the Journal.

ISAAC BELL, DE WITT J. SELIGMAN, STEPHEN A. WALKER, For presentation.	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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Commissioner POMEROY asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

Commissioner POMEROY moved that the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Sites, &c., found on page 71, be amended by inserting the word "rectangular" in the third line, before the words "plot of ground."

Which was adopted.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Sites and New Schools, Journal, page 71, as amended, appropriating \$33,000 for a site corner Lexington avenue and Ninety-sixth street, in connection with this report of the Finance Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Ivins, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Wallace, Welch and Wood—17.

Commissioner BELL presented a report from the Finance Committee, submitting a statement of the financial operations of the Board for the year 1884, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Finance Committee present herewith the Auditor's statement of the financial operations of the Board for the year eighteen hundred and eighty-four (1884).

The statement of the resources of the Board existing at the close of the year, includes the balances remaining of funds apportioned for the years 1880, 1881 and 1882, which in the accounts of the Board exhibit an aggregate of one hundred and six thousand two hundred and seventy-five dollars ; these bal-

ances have probably been transferred by the financial authorities to the credit of the general fund of the City, as provided by Section 207 of Consolidation Act, and are no longer available, or indeed required, for public school purposes. No official notice, however, of such transfer having been received, they are properly continued in the statement. The payments during the year, including those for account of preceding years, amount to four million one hundred and thirty-two thousand nine hundred and seven $\frac{68}{100}$ dollars (\$4,132,907.68), and the appropriations for sites, buildings, etc., unpaid are seven hundred and thirty-three thousand four hundred and seven dollars (\$733,407), with obligations for current purposes, by present credits, of thirty-three thousand three hundred and seventeen dollars (\$33,317). To meet these obligations the Board has to its credit, including the amount from sales of bonds, funds to the amount of nine hundred and thirteen thousand eight hundred and thirty-three dollars (\$913,833).

Respectfully submitted,

ISAAC BELL,
DEWITT J. SELIGMAN, } *Finance*
STEPHEN A. WALKER, } *Committee.*

For presentation.

February 3, 1884.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Of the Board of Education for the year 1884, with the transactions during the year, for account of the years 1880, 1881, 1882 and 1883.

RESOURCES.

For account of 1880—Balance per last report.....	\$28,625 62	
For account of 1881—Balance per last report.....	46,458 79	
For account of 1882—Balance per last report.....	36,495 65	
For account of 1883—Balance per last report, for general account*.....	43,273 33	
For account of 1883—Balance of Special Fund per last report!.....	248,099 25	
		<u>\$402,952 64</u>

* Amount deposited with the City Chamberlain, May, 1884, for account of the Nautical School, for 1883, in addition to above, \$28.70

Amount apportioned by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for general purposes, and for the Corporate Schools for the year 1884.....	\$3,681,950 00	
Amount apportioned for Sites and New Buildings, etc., for 1884.....	750,000 00	
	<hr/>	\$4,431,950 00
Amount derived from the sale of City Bonds, by the Comptroller, as provided by Chap. 458 of the Laws of 1884.....	332,000 00	
	<hr/>	\$4,763,950 00
Total resources for the years named, per accounts of the Board.....		<hr/> <hr/> \$5,166,902 64

PAYMENTS

IN 1884, BY VOUCHERS SENT TO THE COMPTROLLER, VIZ.:

For Account of 1880.

Erecting Building on Norfolk Street, extra work; amount of judgment in favor of Gibb & O'Reilly.	\$5,236 73
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For Account of 1881.

Incidental Expense—For repairs in Third Ward.....	8 10
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For Account of 1882.

For Salaries of Teachers in Ward Schools.....	\$10 38	
For Supplies, Depository Account.....	6 50	
For Incidental Repairs	43 31	
	<hr/>	60 19

For Account of 1883.

Erecting New Buildings, Contract payments and Inspectors	\$248,085 25	
Erecting New Buildings, extra work.....	3,663 97	
Repairing Buildings, \$6,172.85, apparatus, \$61.....	6,233 85	
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Total Special Appropriations.....	\$257,983 07	
Contingent Repairs, by Committees, viz.:		
To Buildings, Plumbing Work, etc....	\$1,577 48	
To Heating Apparatus.....	1,398 15	
To Furniture	740 15	
	<hr/>	3,715 78

Salaries of Teachers in Ward Schools..	\$2,326 10	
Salaries of Janitors in Ward Schools..	2,023 07	
Salaries of Normal College.....	87 12	
Salaries of Evening Schools.....	63 63	
Salaries of Colored Schools.....	24 61	
Salaries of Officers and Clerks.....	680 31	
Salaries of Truancy Agents.....	219 84	
Salaries of Clerks to Ward Trustees...	120 68	
	<hr/>	\$5,545 31
Depository Supplies.....		204 29
Incidental Expenses of Board of Educa-		
tion—Sundries	\$1,157 32	
Printing Teachers' Manual	2,200 00	
	<hr/>	3,357 32
Incidental Expenses of Ward Schools		
by Trustees, repairs, all kinds....	\$5,567 37	
Incidental Expenses, Normal College...	139 47	
Incidental Expenses, Evening Schools..	182 14	
Wages Shop Account.....	41 80	
Rent of Building P. S. 6.....	750 00	
	<hr/>	6,680 78
Total for Account of 1883.....		<hr/> \$277,486 5

For Account of the present year 1884.

Alterations and Repairs of Buildings...	\$95,879 12	
Alterations and Repairs of Heating Ap-		
paratus	6,940 00	
Alterations and Repairs of Furniture..	5,426 50	
Repairs of Heating Apparatus, Plumb-		
ing and Ventilation, by Committees	11,734 68	
Plumbing Work, etc., Special.....	44,801 38	
Furniture, new.....	41,281 75	
Heating Apparatus, new.....	34,819 00	
Iron Stairways, on account.....	1,579 00	
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Paid from Reserve Fund.....		\$242,461 43
New Buildings, on account.....	\$79,000 00	
Sites.....	148,142 00	
Inspectors of New Buildings... ..	1,143 00	
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Paid from Special Fund.....		228,285 00
Salaries, Teachers in Ward Schools.....		2,525,102 77
Salaries, Janitors in Ward Schools.....		110,039 85
Salaries, Professors and others, in Normal College		
and Training Department.....		94,760 21
Salaries, Teachers and Janitors in Evening Schools..		80,341 64

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Salaries, Teachers and Janitors in Colored Schools to 5th of May.....	\$6,638 62	
Salaries, Officers and others, of Board of Education..	36,769 17	
Salaries, City Superintendent and Assistants....	34,659 78	
Salaries, Agents of Truancy, Compulsory Education.	12,914 50	
Support of the Nautical School, viz.:		
Officers and Crew, Wages.....	\$13,449 50	
Provisions.....	6,329 85	
Ship Chandlery.....	2,511 13	
Towing and Pilotage.....	64 75	
Drugs.....	176 08	
Repairs to Ship "St. Marys".....	2,620 31	
Oil.....	187 99	
Sundries on Summer Cruise.....	904 95	
Wharfage.....	764 40	
Furniture....	18 45	
		27,027 41
Depository, Books, Stationery, for all Schools.....	139,181 86	
Fuel, for all the Schools and Hall.....	84,728 88	
Gas, for all the Schools and Hall.....	19,813 62	
Shop, Wages and Materials.....	2,685 18	
Pianos, for New Schools... ..	3,210 00	
Incidental Expenses of Ward Schools, current repairs to buildings, Furniture and Heating Apparatus..	24,597 00	
Incidental Expenses of the Board of Education, viz.:		
Printing Annual Report, Manual, Direc- tory, Minutes of Board, Blanks, etc., etc.....	\$6,490 77	
Blank Books and Stationery.....	228 00	
Searches and Surveys of Sites by Cor- poration Counsel.....	1,596 45	
Repairs to Hall and Furniture.....	822 12	
Supplies for Hall.....	136 62	
Transportation of Pupils in 24th Ward, Advertising, Cartage, Freight, Newspapers, labor, etc.....	1,685 25	
Delivering Supplies to the Schools, Postage, Assistant Inspector of Fuel, Assistant Draughtsmen, etc.....	4,951 55	
		15,910 76
Incidental Expenses of the Normal Col- lege, viz.:		
Repairs, Current, to Buildings, Furni- ture, etc....	\$3,080 29	

Printing and Stationery.....	\$814 31	
Supplies, Chemicals, etc., for Professors	2,307 08	
Care of Grounds, Shrubbery, etc.....	431 05	
Sundries—Labor, Postage, Decorating, etc.....	980 97	
	<hr/>	\$7,613 70
Incidental Expenses of Evening Schools		174 90
Incidental Expenses of Colored Schools, to 5th of May.....		236 36
Salaries of Clerks to Ward Trustees, Sec. 60, By-Laws.....		2,210 75
Rents of School Buildings.....		28,927 78
Corporate Schools—State Apportion- ment, viz.:		
The New York Orphan Asylum.....	\$1,747 12	
The Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum..	8,843 48	
The Schools of the Protestant Half Orphan Asylum.....	2,059 87	
The School of the Association for the Benefit of Colored Orphans.....	2,469 69	
The School of the Leake and Watts Orphan House.....	1,046 11	
The Schools of the American Female Guardian Society.....	17,223 12	
The School Established and Maintained by the New York Juvenile Asylum	7,365 93	
The House of Reception of the New York Juvenile Asylum.....	981 40	
The School Established and Maintained by the Ladies' Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.....	3,914 83	
The School Established and Maintained by the Five Points House of Indus- try.....	4,486 42	
The Industrial Schools, Established and Maintained under the charge of the Children's Aid Society.....	34,457 01	
The School of the Society for the Ref- ormation of Juvenile Delinquents..	10,008 17	
The School, including the Country Branch thereof, Established and Maintained under the charge of the Nursery and Child's Hospital.....	2,027 52	

The School Established and Maintained by the New York Society for the Relief of the Ruptured and Crippled	\$1,811 83	
The School of the Hebrew Orphan Society.....	603 94	
The School of the Association for Be- friending Children and Young Girls.....	1,725 54	
	<u> </u>	\$100,771 93
Buildings Contingent Fund, by Com- mittees, viz. :		
Repairs of Buildings.....	\$13,270 16	
Repairs of Furniture.....	3,208 19	
Repairs of Heating Apparatus.....	3,681 71	
Sec. 53, Subdiv. 2.	<u> </u>	20,160 06
Draughtsmen, Assistants to Superinten- dent of Buildings, Wages.....		1,393 00
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For 1884, Total Payments, General Fund.....	\$3,621,831 11	
Special Fund.....	228,285 00	
	<u> </u>	\$3,850,116 11
		<u> </u>
Total payments, in 1884.....		\$4,132,907 68
Dec. 31, 1884.		<u> </u>

SUMMARY

Of the resources and expenditures in the year 1884, detailed in the above statement, and the balances remaining of the funds for the respective years named, as per the accounts of this Board.

	Balances the 31st Dec., 1883.	Paid in 1884.	Balances with Comptroller.
For the year 1880.....	\$28,625 62	\$5,236 73	\$23,388 89
For the year 1881.....	46,458 79	8 10	46,450 69
For the year 1882.. ..	36,495 65	60 19	36,435 46
For the year 1883, general fund.....	43,273 33	29,401 30	13,872 03
" " " special fund	248,099 25	248,085 25	14 00
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	\$402,952 64	\$282,791 57	\$120,161 07
For the year 1884.....	3,681,950 00	3,621,831 11	60,118 89
" " " special fund.....	750,000 00	228,285 00	521,715 00
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	\$4,834,902 64	\$4,132,907 68	\$701,994 96
Amount derived from the sale of Bonds, per Chap. 458, Laws of 1884.....			332,000 00
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			\$1,033,994 96
Balance of B'd of Education Building Fund, from 1882.....			21,800 00

LIABILITIES.

For Account of 1884.

On Special Appropriations, viz.:

For six sites purchased, in 8th, 22d and 23d Wards, not yet conveyed.....	\$158,915 75	
For New Buildings, Furniture and Heating Apparatus, under contract.....	557,190 00	
	<hr/>	\$716,105 75
For Balances of sundry Appropriations for Furniture, Heating Apparatus, Repairs, etc., etc.,	17,302 32	
For Balance of Building Contingent Fund.....	11,840 00	
For Balance of Appropriation for Repairs, etc., by Trustees.....	14,408 00	
For Balance of Appropriation for Salaries of Teachers.....	3,258 61	
For Balance of Appropriation for Salaries of Clerks to Trustees.....	789 00	
For Supplies, Normal College, Evening Schools and Nautical School, estimated.....	3,026 00	
	<hr/>	50,618 93
Total, 1884.....		\$766,724 68
For Sundries for 1883, estimated.....		1,200 00
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APPROPRIATIONS.

FROM SPECIAL FUND OF \$750,000 APPORTIONED FOR PURCHASING AND PROCURING SITES FOR AND ERECTING NEW BUILDINGS, Etc., Etc.

For Site on West 10th Street, in 9th Ward.....	\$6,500 00
“ “ “ “ “ “	12,000 00
“ 110th Street, in 12th Ward	33,142 00
“ 1st Street, in 17th Ward.....	25,000 00
“ Spuyten Duyvil, in 24th Ward.....	3,915 75
“ West 36th Street, in 20th Ward.....	28,000 00
“ 127th Street, in 12th Ward.....	7,500 00
“ west side of Ogden Avenue, in 23d Ward.....	12,500 00
“ north side 138th Street, east of Willis Avenue, in 23d Ward.....	17,500 00
“ 120th Street in 12th Ward.....	36,000 00
“ north side of Primary Department of G. S. 60, Courtland Avenue, 23d Ward.....	3,000 00

For Erecting Addition to G. S. Building No. 33, in 20th Ward.....	\$64,900 00	
“ Erecting Building on 70th Street and 1st Ave- nue in 19th Ward.....	109,994 00	
“ Erecting Building on 1st Street, in 17th Ward,	66,970 00	
“ Erecting Addition to G. S. Building No. 61, in 23d Ward.....	82,367 00	
“ Erecting Addition to G. S. Building No. 43, in 12th Ward.....	84,397 00	
Erecting Building on West 10th Street, in 9th Ward.....	67,000 00	
Erecting addition to G. S. Building No. 32, in 20th Ward.....	37,700 00	
Heating Apparatus for G. S. 33, in 20th Ward.....	4,740 00	
Furnishing G. S. No. 33, in 20th Ward.....	5,233 00	
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	\$708,358 75	
Paid Inspectors of Buildings, from this fund.....	1,143 00	
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		\$709,501 75
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Balance appropriated and reserved for sundries, per Resolution of the Board, per Journal, pages 1020, 1021, and 1027, to be used in 1885.....		\$40,498 25
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Bond Account.

Proceeds of sale of bonds, as provided by Chapter 458 of the Laws of 1884.....		\$332,000 00
Appropriations therefrom, viz.:		
For site on south side of 50th Street, in 22d Ward.	\$52,000 00	
“ site on King Street, in 8th Ward.....	70,000 00	
“ Erecting Building on East 110th Street, in 12th Ward.....	112,889 00	
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		234,889 00
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Balance subject to future appropriations.....		\$97,111 00
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STATEMENT IN DETAIL OF SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS BY THE BOARD FROM THE RESERVE FUND OF 1884, AND PAYMENTS ON ACCOUNT.

	Appropriated.	Paid.
Furniture for G. S. No. 73.....	\$10,290 00	\$10,290 00
Furniture for G. S. No. 77.....	14,590 00	14,590 00

Furniture for G. S. No. 76.....	\$10,050 00	\$10,050 00
Heating Apparatus for G. S. No. 78.....	6,190 00	6,190 00
Heating Apparatus for G. S. No. 77.....	9,137 00	9,137 00
Heating Apparatus for G. S. No. 76... ..	6,270 00	6,270 00
Erecting Iron Stairways on G. S. No. 68.....	1,579 00	1,579 00
Improving Plumbing and Ventilation, by Committee on Buildings.....	7,000 00	3,707 54
Plumbing Work, &c., on sundry Buildings, Journal, pp. 561, 562... ..	44,772 78	44,756 38
Repairs, sundry Buildings. Painting, Furniture, etc., etc., Journal, pages 628, 629.....	78,855 00	78,855 00
New Sashes for G. S. No. 23, in 6th Ward	370 00	370 00
Widening Doors, for G. S. No. 57, in 12th Ward.....	975 00	975 00
Altering Heating Apparatus in G. S. No. 57 in 12th Ward.....	1,950 00	1,950 00
Alterations in Yard, &c., G. S. No. 40, in 18th Ward.	687 00	687 00
Removing and Re-building Closets, G. S. No. 50, in 18th Ward.....	2,985 00	2,985 00
Steam Heating Apparatus, G. S. No. 14, in 21st Ward.	6,993 00	6,993 00
Improving Drainage at G. S. No. 47, in 15th Ward...	3,670 00	3,670 00
Alterations, Heating Apparatus, G. S. No. 47, in 15th Ward.....	4,990 00	4,990 00
Steam Heating Apparatus, G. S. No. 34, in 13th Ward	5,329 00	5,329 00
Improving, Warming and Ventilation of Buildings, by Committee, on.....	10,000 00	8,027 14
Refurnishing Class-rooms, by Committee.....	2,000 00	565 00
Repairs at G. S. No. 34, in 13th Ward.....	290 00	290 00
Alterations, &c., of Premises 225, 227 West 41st Street, for G. S. No. 67, in 22d Ward.....	9,210 00	9,210 00
New Boilers, at G. S. No. 32, in 20th Ward.....	1,850 00	800 00
Alterations at G. S. No. 26, in 20th Ward.....	4,213 00	4,213 00
Extra work, sundry Contracts, Journal, 846.....	3,684 44	3,684 44
Extra work, sundry Contracts, Journal. 850.....	808 19	808 19
Extra work, G. S. No. 34, 13th Ward.....	100 00	100 00
Fitting up Premises No. 626 Washington Street, for P. S., No. 7.....	2,319 00	1,000 00
Furniture for Sundries, by Committee.....	1,600 00	
Iron Stairways at G. S. No 57, in 12th Ward.....	3,333 00	
Alterations at G. S. No. 68, in 12th Ward.....	1,893 00	
Furniture for G. S. No. 57, in 12th Ward.....	732 00	
Water Closets, G. S. No. 63, in 24th Ward.....	675 00	
Extra work, Plumbing, P. S. No. 14.....	121 80	121 80
Extra work, Plumbing, G. S. No. 50.. ..	30 30	30 30
Extra work, Furniture, G. S. No. 76.....	91 75	91 75

Extra work, Drainage, G. S. No. 47.....	\$112 39	\$112 39
Extra work, Furniture, G. S. No. 42	33 50	33 50
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	\$259,780 15	
Less deduction on P. S. 10.....	16 40	
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	\$259,763 75	\$242,461 43
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Unpaid.....		\$17,302 32
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Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes, and that the usual number of copies be printed for binding with the Journal of 1884.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Commissioner DEVOE offered the following:

Resolved, That the Committee on Course of Study be requested to examine the question as to the advisability of adding a grade to the present course of instruction for primary pupils, specially adapted to children under six years of age, and to report thereon to this Board.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative as follows:

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen and Welch—11.

Nays—Commissioners Bell, Holt, Ivins, Pomeroy, Wallace and Wood—6.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Commissioner WOOD—

The Board adjourned.

LAWRENCE D. KIERNAN,
Clerk.

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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1885.

STATED SESSION.

Present—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners BEARDSLEE, BELL, CRAWFORD, DEVOE, GALLAWAY, HOLT, IVINS, KELLY, PERKINS, POMEROY, SCHMITT, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, SIMMONS, TAMSEN, VERMILYE, WALLACE, WELCH and WOOD—20.

Absent—Commissioner WETMORE—1.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the session held on February 4th, as printed in the Journal, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners BEARDSLEE, BELL, DEVOE, GALLAWAY, HOLT, IVINS, KELLY, PERKINS, POMEROY, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, SIMMONS, TAMSEN, VERMILYE, WALLACE, WELCH and WOOD—18.

COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Trustees of the Sixth, Seventh, Thirteenth, Nineteenth and Twenty-fourth Wards, asking to excuse absences of teachers, etc.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power conferred by the by-laws.

From the Trustees of the First Ward, asking permission to adopt a new schedule of salaries for the teachers in P. D. G. S. No. 29.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Second Ward, asking for a piano for P. S. No. 34.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Tenth Ward, to pay the bill of Peter Kemmer for services as temporary janitor of P. S. No. 1, from January 20 to February 1.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking to pay Miss Hattie A. Denniston, for services as acting Principal P. D. G. S. No. 83, from January 1 to January 21.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, to hire a building on 105th street, between the Boulevard and Tenth avenue, for a branch of G. S. No. 54.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking that the janitor of branch P. D. G. S. No. 78, be paid the thirteenth of his annual salary for services rendered.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, relative to heating apparatus in G. S. No. 34.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

From the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward, asking for payment of bills incurred in excess of appropriation for 1884, for repairing clocks and pianos.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, relative to the premises No. 17 St. Marks' place, lately occupied by P. S. No. 23.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, for a new piano for F. D. G. S. No. 28.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

CITY SUPERINTENDENT.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the report of the City Superintendent for the month of January, as follows :

CITY SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, }
NEW YORK, *February* 18, 1885. }

To the Honorable the Board of Education :

GENTLEMEN—In accordance with law, I submit a report of the operations of the City Superintendent's Department for the month of January last.

During that time, the following schools were carefully examined :

Grammar Schools Nos. 20, 27, 34, 40, 70, 78 ; Primary Schools Nos. 10, 12, 14, 36, and Primary Department No. 67 ; also three classes in Female Department No. 69.

Of the 250 classes examined, 169 were reported *excellent* in instruction ; 77 *good*, and 4 *fair*.

In discipline, of the 261 classes either examined or inspected, 235 were found to be *excellent* ; 22 *good* ; 3 *fair*, and 1 indifferent.

In management, 16 schools were reported *excellent* ; 2 *good*, and 1 *fair*.

The monthly returns from the Principals of the Grammar and the Primary Schools show that on the thirty-first day of January, the aggregate number of pupils on register was 141,975, and the average daily attendance for the month was 131,243, an increase of 4,240 in enrollment, and 5,170 in attendance, as compared with the corresponding month last year.

The whole number of teachers, including Principals, employed during the month, was 3,189, or 149 greater than the number employed for January, 1884.

The total number of days lost by absence of teachers was

2,149, which is a decrease of 420, as compared with January last year.

The average attendance in the Evening Schools for the month was 6,075, an increase of 479 over the corresponding period in 1884.

Appended will be found a list of teachers in whose classes the absenteeism was in excess of twenty per cent. during January, 1885.

Very respectfully,

JOHN JASPER,

City Superintendent.

The Average Attendance and the Number of Teachers by Wards, for January, 1884 and 1885, and the Increase or Decrease, as the case may be.

WARDS.	AVERAGE ATTENDANCE.		Increase.	Decrease.	TEACHERS EMPLOYED.		Increase.	Decrease.
	Jan., 1884.	Jan., 1885.			Jan., '84.	Jan., '85.		
1st	811	873	62	.....	27	26	.....	1
2d	106	83	.....	23	4	3	.....	1
3d	68	83	15	.....	4	3	.....	1
4th.....	1,606	1,641	35	.....	45	45	.....	.....
5th.....	1,612	1,558	.....	54	46	44	.....	2
6th.....	2,043	1,980	.....	63	59	55	.....	4
7th.....	3,937	3,976	39	.....	103	101	.....	2
8th.....	2,510	2,472	.....	38	67	67	.....	.....
9th.....	6,202	6,235	33	.....	148	149	1	.....
10th.....	8,023	8,328	305	.....	188	191	3	.....
11th.....	7,934	8,042	108	.....	195	197	2	.....
12th.....	15,240	16,246	1,006	.....	340	382	42	.....
13th.....	5,846	5,976	130	.....	132	138	6	.....
14th.....	1,852	1,798	.....	54	50	50	.....	.....
15th.....	3,331	3,160	.....	171	90	89	.....	1
16th.....	4,804	4,841	37	.....	123	120	.....	3
17th.....	9,028	8,943	.....	85	214	212	.....	2
18th.....	3,630	3,682	52	.....	90	90	.....	.....
19th.....	15,920	18,692	2,772	.....	347	441	94	.....
20th.....	6,900	6,902	2	.....	162	161	.....	1
21st	5,513	5,755	242	.....	139	140	1	.....
22d	13,405	13,741	336	.....	309	321	12	.....
23d.....	3,953	4,315	362	.....	98	106	8	.....
24th.....	1,799	1,921	122	.....	60	58	.....	2
Total...	126,073	131,243	5,658	488	3,040	3,189	169	20

List of Teachers in whose classes the absenteeism was in excess of twenty per cent. during the month of January, 1885.

School.	Name of Teacher.	Per Cent.	School.	Name of Teacher.	Per Cent.
F. D. 46.	H. T. Murray.....	22	P. S. 34.	H. E. Fitzgerald ...	22
P. D. 24.	E. Barry	24	" 45.	M. C. Tarbox	21
" 39.	M. J. Blair.....	21	" 47.	L. Studwell.....	21
" 40.	C. A. Geer.	24	" "	K. A. Norton.....	22
" 44.	M. BenseL.....	22	" 48	F. A. Smith....	25
" 65.	E. Cochrane.....	21	" "	M. P. Dechert.....	58
" 67	L. I. Flynn	22			
" 80.	E. B. Magnan.....	33			
P. S. 23.	G. M. Doyle.....	21			

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

FROM THE CLERK.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from the Clerk, submitting a statement of the changes in the *personnel* of the teachers since October 15, 1884, as follows :

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, }
NEW YORK, Feb. 18, 1885. }

To the Honorable the Board of Education :

GENTLEMEN—As required by a resolution adopted December 7, 1881, I herewith submit a statement showing the changes in the *personnel* of the teachers in each school under the jurisdiction of the Board of Education since my last report.

Respectfully submitted,

LAW. D. KIERNAN,
Clerk.

WARD.	1884.
5th.	Irene Way.....P. D. 44, transferred from P. S. 11, Oct. 2.
	Katie A. Ready.....F. D. 44, app'd add'l teacher, Oct., Nov., Dec.
	Winifred M. Kehoe.....P. S. 11, appointed Oct. 2.
6th	Ludwina Tschudy .....P. S. 8, " additional teacher.
	Margaret A. Warren. ....P. S. 8, " " Nov. 8,

WARD.

- 7th. Kate A. Dunne.....P. D. 2, resigned Oct. 1.
 Theresa J. Riley.....P. D. 2, " "
 Josephine E. Marshall.....P. D. 2, appointed "
 Eliza McGowan.....P. D. 2, transferred from F. D. 12, Oct. 1.
 Mary A. McCort.....F. D. 12, appointed Oct. 1.
 Mary K. HanlyP. D. 12, removed "
 Mary C. KilleenP. D. 12, appointed "
 Mary A. McCort.....F. D. 12, resigned Nov. 1.
 Kate L. Brown.....F. D. 12, appointed "
 Mary C. Killeen.....M. D. 2, transferred from P. D. 12, Nov. 15.
 Lizzie McCarthy.....P. D. 12, appointed Nov. 15.
 Maria J. JoyceM. D. 2, resigned "
 Justine E. Marshall.....F. D. 2, deceased Dec. 1.
 Eliza McGowan.....F. D. 2, transferred from F. D. 12, Dec. 4.
 Kate McLean.....P. D. 2, appointed Dec. 4.
- 9th. Charlotte Fredericks.....P. D. 16, appointed Oct. 13.
 Emily Golder.....P. D. 3, transferred from P. D. 16, Oct. 13.
 Jennie McCarthy.....P. D. 16, " P. D. 3, "
 Alice F. ElliottP. S. 24, appointed additional, Oct. 1.
 Margaret J. ChalmersP. S. 7, deceased Oct. 15.
 Sarah L. Gregory.P. S. 7, appointed additional, Oct. 15.
 Jane Carpenter.....G. S. 16, resigned Oct. 16.
 Mamie Crow.....G. S. 16, appointed Oct. 16.
 Janet B. Crommelin.....P. D. 3, deceased, Nov. 7.
 Lucy D. Foster.....P. D. 3, transferred from P. S. 7, Nov. 15.
 Jennie ThompsonP. S. 7, appointed additional Nov. 15.
 Julia Edwards.....F. D. 41, " Nov. 22.
 Minnie R. HarrodM. D. 16, resigned Nov. 7.
 Kate E. Aitken.....M. D. 16, transferred from P. S. 13, Nov. 10.
 Mary Golden.....P. S. 13, " P. S. 7, "
 Lucy D. Foster.....P. S. 7, appointed additional "
- 10th. Edward D. Farrell.....M. D. 7, resigned Oct. 2.
 Reuben Cronson.....M. D. 7, appointed Oct. 21.
 Rosa Mack.....P. D. 42, " Oct. 1.
 Maud I. Price.M. D. 75, transferred from P. D. 75, Oct. 1.
 Ida Langstadter.....P. D. 75, " P. D. 42, "
 Lizzie A. Long.....P. D. 7, " P. D. 7, Nov. 1.
 Elizabeth A. SuttonP. D. 42, " P. D. 7, "
 Margaret B. Wilson.....F. D. 42, appointed additional "
- 11th. Louise R. Schmidt.....F. D. 22, resigned Sep. 30.
 Mary McCaffrey.....F. D. 22, transferred from P. S. 5, Sep. 30.
 Annie J. SinclairP. S. 5, resigned Sept. 30.
 Bertha RosetteP. S. 5, appointed additional Sep. 30.
- 12th. Emma Rudishauser.P. D. 39, appointed Oct. 1.

WARD.

- 2th. Minnie W. Browne.....P. D. 39, appointed Oct. 1.
 Abner B. Holly.G. D. 54, transferred from M. D. 37, Oct. 1.
 John Doty.....M. D. 37, appointed Oct. 20.
 Clara Murdock.....M. D. 57, resigned Nov. 1.
 Annie Skinner.....M. D. 57, transferred from P. D. 57, Nov. 1.
 Elizabeth TalbertP. D. 57, resigned Oct. 1.
 Eleanor E. Baker.....P. D. 57, appointed “
 Sarah Adams.....P. D. 57, “ Nov. 1.
 Edward D. Farrell.....G. D. 46, “ Oct. 1.
 Nettie E. McGregor.....F. D. 46, “ “
 Kate C. Crawford.....G. D. 39, transferred from P. D. 39, Oct. 1.
 Rachel E. Chase.G. D. 39, “ “
 Phoebe J. ThompsonG. D. 39, appointed Oct. 20.
 Maggie J. Blair.....P. D. 39, “ Nov. 1.
 Kate L. Hobby.....P. D. 78, resigned Oct. 1.
 Adele C. Holden.....P. D. 78, appointed Oct. 20.
 Kate F. Donovan.M. D. 46, “ “
 Wm. A. Jackson.....M. D. 68, resigned Oct. 18.
 Ward B. HoagM. D. 68, appointed Oct. 18.
 Wm. A. JacksonM. D. 68, “ Sep. 16.
 Elizabeth HarveyP. D. 72, resigned Nov. 1.
 Cecilia Cohn.....P. D. 72, appointed Nov. 4.
 “P. D. 72, resigned Nov. 15.
 Annie Skinner.... ..M. D. 57, transferred from P. D. 57, Nov. 15.
 Frances E. Swift.....P. D. 72, deceased, Nov. 4.
 Charlotte Mack.....P. D. 78, appointed Nov. 15.
 Susan A. Peary.....P. D. 72, “ “
 Susanna E. Browne.....P. D. 72, resigned Dec. 1.
 Adelaide CombsP. D. 72, appointed “
 Annie B. ClarkeP. D. 72, “ “
- 3th. Genevra E. Raymond.....F. D. 34, resigned Sept. 30.
 Minnie S. Stewart.....P. S. 40, transfer from P. S. 20, Oct. 1.
 Addie G. Lambrecht.....P. S. 20, appointed additional, Oct. 1.
 Rachel Hellmann.....P. S. 40, resigned.
 Addie G. Lambrecht.....P. S. 40, transferred from P. S. 20, Nov. 30.
 Eva H. Abraham.....P. S. 20, appointed Dec. 1.
- 4th. Mary G. Petrie.....P. D. 10, change of name, Sept.
 Kate Williams.....M. D. 35, resigned Oct. 1.
 Adele M. Saunders.....M. D. 35, appointed “
 Ida L. Favor.....M. D. 35, resigned “
 Mary E. Taylor.....M. D. 35, appointed “
 Mary G. Petrie.....P. D. 10, resigned “
 Jessie Colburn.....P. D. 10, appointed “
 Mary Schoonmaker.....P. D. 10, resigned “

WARD.

- 15th. Clara E. Waldeyer.....P. D. 10, appointed Oct. 1.
 Isabel F. Tugwell.....M. D. 35, resigned Dec. 1.
 Mary E. Taylor.....M. D. 35, appointed “
 Millie E. Law.....M. D. 35, appointed additional, Dec. 1.
- 16th. Annie E. Perine.....G. D. 45, “ “ Oct. 14.
 Helena Maccabe.....G. D. 56, “ “ “
 Clara A. Matson.....G. D. 56, transfer from P. D. 56, Dec. 1.
 Eva Matson.....P. D. 56, appointed Dec. 1.
- 17th. Grace Carroll.....M. D. 13, resigned Oct. 1.
 Annie L. Maack.....M. D. 13, transfer from P. D. 13, Oct. 1.
 Jennie Klapper.....P. D. 13, appointed Oct. 1.
 Mary De Largey.....P. D. 19, transfer from P. S. 26, “
 Elizabeth J. McKean.....P. D. 19, appointed Oct. 1.
 Helena Heade.....M. D. 25, deceased “
 Ellen A. Raftery.....M. D. 25, appointed “
 Sarah Goldie.....F. D. 25, transfer from P. D. 19, Oct. 1.
 Josephine A. Watson...P. S. 9, resigned Oct. 1.
 Retta C. Twomey.....P. S. 9, appointed “
 I. F. Snedeker.....P. S. 22, resigned “
 Matilda Brophy.....P. S. 22, appointed “
 Helen Nagle.....P. S. 26, transfer from F. D. 25, Oct. 1.
 Martha Schultze.....P. D. 19, appointed additional, Oct. 13.
 Rosetta McCabe.....M. D. 13, resigned Nov. 15.
 Mary I. Price.....M. D. 25, “ “
 Elizabeth Kohlisch.....M. D. 25, transfer from P. D. 25, Nov. 15.
 John Nehrba.....M. D. 25, appointed Nov. 3.
- 18th. Retta C. Twomey.....P. D. 50, resigned Oct. 2.
 Mary E. Fanning.....P. D. 50, appointed Oct. 20.
 Sarah Bodine.....P. S. 29, deceased Oct. 12.
 Annie L. Roy.....P. S. 29, appointed additional, Oct. 23.
 Clotilde E. Serre.....P. D. 40, “ “ “
 Annie F. Thorne.....P. D. 50, “ “ “
 John Doty.....M. D. 40, resigned Oct. 22.
 Jennie T. Brady.....P. S. 29, “ Oct. 31.
 Kath. A. McCann.....P. S. 28, transfer from P. D. 40, Nov. 1.
 John L. Trüaf.....M. D. 40, appointed Oct. 31.
 Jennie J. Goetz.....P. D. 40, appointed additional, Nov. 15.
 Kate M. Quigley.....P. S. 28, resigned Dec. 1.
 Annie L. Roy.....P. S. 29, appointed additional, Nov. 25.
 Clotilda E. Serre.....P. D. 40, resigned Dec. 13.
 Margaret C. Pearson.....P. S. 28, appointed Dec. 15.
 Maggie E. Coghlan.....P. D. 40, appointed additional, Dec. 15.
- 19th. Dora Duggan.....P. D. 59, appointed Oct. 1.
 Jennie Austen.....P. D. 59, “ “

WARD.

19th.	Kate M. Ahern	P. D. 53, appointed Oct. 7.
	Ida B. Vattel.	F. D. 76, transfer from P. D. 59, Oct. 1.
	Esther Jackson.	F. D. 76, " " P. D. 53, Oct. 7.
	Ella C. Hays.	P. D. 76, appointed Oct. 1.
	Julia Jackson.	P. D. 76, " "
	Margery Clifford	P. D. 76, " "
	Ella C. Hays	P. D. 76, " additional, Sept. 16.
	Julia Jackson.	P. D. 76, " " "
	Margery Clifford.	P. D. 76, " " Sept. 18.
	Mamie Renn	P. D. 76, " " Oct. 20.
	Mary A. Fall	P. D. 77, appointed Oct. 1.
	Gilbert B. Hendrickson.	M. D. 77, " Oct. 31.
	Carrie Wood.	M. D. 74 " Sept. 8.
	Kate M. Burlinson	P. D. 27, " additional, Nov. 1.
	Ella Fisher.	P. D. 53, resigned Nov. 1.
	Margaret J. Robb.	P. D. 53, appointed "
	Hattie E. Horton.	F. D. 59, resigned "
	Anna Pockridge.	F. D. 59, transfer from P. D. 59, Nov. 1.
	Susan A. Rodman.	P. D. 59, appointed Nov. 1.
	Hannah Robinson.	P. D. 70, resigned Nov. 17.
	Rosa Sondheim.	P. D. 70, appointed Nov. 1.
	Fannie Elkan.	P. D. 74, resigned "
	Emma R. Mosbach.	P. D. 74, appointed "
	Ellen J. Duggan.	P. D. 73, " additional, Nov. 1.
	Maggie Murphy.	P. S. 35, " " "
	Carrie Pollak	P. D. 76, resigned Nov. 1.
	Alice Stead.	P. D. 76, appointed "
	M. Louise Campman.	P. D. 76, " additional, Oct. 20.
	Mamie G. Renn.	P. D. 76, " " Nov. 1.
	Kate Youngling.	M. D. 77, " "
	Emma G. Broad	F. D. 59, resigned Dec. 1.
	Nellie Sweeny	F. D. 59, transfer from P. D. 59, Dec. 1.
	Maggie Murphy	P. D. 59, " " P. S. 35, "
	Florence Kubeley.	P. S. 35, appointed additional, "
	Mamie R. Renn.	P. D. 76, " " "
	Mary J. Lawler.	F. D. 77, " " "
20th.	Frances Bernstein.	M. D. 26, resigned Sept. 30.
	Susie K. Moseman.	M. D. 26, appointed Oct. 10.
	Kate C. Pond	F. D. 33, resigned Oct. 16.
	Ella P. Wicker.	F. D. 33, appointed
	Emily J. Nicholson.	F. D. 48, resigned Sept. 20.
	Lillie Macdonough.	F. D. 48, appointed Oct. 1.
	Lucy E. Archbold.	F. D. 48, appointed additional, Oct. 6.
	" "	F. D. 48, resigned Oct. 8.

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- 20th. Margaret L. Wilson.....F. D. 48, appointed additional, Oct. 20.
 Addie D. Gardner.....P. D. 48, resigned Sept. 30.
 Virginia SchweizerP. D. 48, appointed Oct. 3.
 Charlotte Farrell.....F. D. 26, resigned Nov. 10.
 Lucy A. Pendleton.....F. D. 26, appointed Nov. 24.
 Julia A. Birdseye.....F. D. 33, transfer from P. D. 32, Nov. 1.
 Alice Lazarus.....P. D. 32, transfer from P. S. 27, “
 Lucy Nevers.....P. D. 48, resigned Oct. 31.
 Theresa A. Quinn.....P. D. 48, appointed Nov. 1.
 Matilda L. Webendorfer...P. D. 48, resigned Dec. 1.
 Clara Strasburger.....F. D. 48, transfer from P. D. 32, Dec. 1.
 Gertrude Tobias.....F. D. 48, appointed additional “
 Margaret L. Wilson.....P. D. 32, transfer from F. D. 48, “
- 21st. Elizabeth A. Driscoll.....P. S. 16, resigned Oct. 16.
 Kate Cronin.....P. S. 16, appointed “
 Julia A. Vogel.....F. D. 14, “ additional Sep. 15.
 Dora Litterer.....P. D. 49, resigned Dec. 1.
 Mary A. Meehan.....P. D. 49, appointed “
- 22d. Pauline Krauth.....F. D. 69, “ Oct. 7.
 Frances J. Scarlett.....F. D. 17, transfer from M. D. 58, Oct. 6.
 Susan M. Reston.....M. D. 58, transfer from P. S. 11 “ 13.
 Mary P. Gomperts.....M. D. 51, resigned Dec. 1.
 Mary M. Lilley.....P. S. 41, transfer from P. S. 7, Oct. 15.
 Emma C. Armand.....M. D. 67, appointed Oct. 1.
 Mary A. Bergin.....P. D. 17, “ “ 13.
 Isabella C. Scarlett.....F. D. 17, resigned Oct. 1.
 Frances Robinson.....F. D. 69, “ “
 Flora McMillan.....P. S. 41, appointed additional Oct. 1.
 Eliz. C. Burnett.....P. S. 41, appointed Sep. 22.
 Abbie C. Reed.....F. D. 17, “ additional Oct. 6.
 Annie L. Kay.....P. D. 17, appointed Sep. 25.
 Jane Skiffington.....P. D. 17, resigned Nov. 1.
 Emma A. Arnham.....M. D. 67, appointed additional Oct. 1.
 Laura I. Flynn.....P. D. 67, appointed additional Nov. 19.
- 23d. Minnie E. Bell.....P. D. 62, appointed Oct. 20.
 Ernestine E. Denicke.....P. D. 62, “ Nov. 12,
- 24th. Carrie Keller.....G. D. 63, “ “ 5.
 Virginia T. Middleton....G. D. 63, “ additional Nov. 5.
 Lucy A. Kirkham.....G. D. 64, “ “ “
 Susannah S. Kirkham....G. D. 65, appointed Dec. 18.
 Marian Clarey.....G. D. 65, “ “

WARD.

1885.

- 1st. Kate Corbett.....P. D. 29, transfer from P. S. 15, Jan. 14.
 4th. Teresa Muratori.....P. S. 12, appointed additional “ 1.

WARD.

5th.	Ellen T. Kelly...	F. D. 44,	appointed additional Jan. 1.
6th.	Selina Brown.....	F. D. 24,	" " " 6.
	Wm. Mullaney.....	M. D. 23,	" Jan. 1.
	Mary T. Oatis.....	P. S. 8,	" "
7th.	Mary C. Killeen.....	M. D. 2,	appointed Jan. 1.
	Lizzie McCarthy.....	P. D. 12,	" additional Jan. 1.
	Wm. B. Clarke.....	M. D. 12,	" " "
8th.	Annie D. Kydd.....	F. D. 38,	deceased Jan. 25.
	Mary D. Loomis.....	F. D. 8,	appointed additional Jan. 1.
	Ada L. Becker.....	P. D. 8,	" " "
	Lizzie D. Demarest.....	P. S. 25,	" " "
9th.	Charlotte Fredericks.....	P. D. 16,	" " "
	Jennie Thompson.....	P. S. 7,	" " "
	Julia Edwards.....	P. D. 41,	" " "
	Annie A. Wallis.....	M. D. 3,	transfer from P. S. 24, "
	Isabella F. Lewis.....	M. D. 3,	" " "
	Alice F. Elliot.....	P. S. 24,	appointed Jan. 1.
	Jessie Carpenter.....	P. S. 24,	" "
	Annie Frey.....	P. S. 24,	" "
	Cecilia Adler.....	P. D. 41,	" "
	Rosa I. Ward.....	P. S. 7,	resignation Dec. 31, 1884.
	Jennie Baldwin.....	P. S. 7,	appointed Jan. 1.
	Sarah L. Gregory.....	P. S. 7,	" "
10th.	Eleanor L. Toner.....	P. S. 1,	" additional Jan. 5.
	Maggie Cunningham.....	P. S. 1,	" " "
	Isabel Strauss.....	P. S. 1,	" " Jan. 20.
	Mary A. Higgins.....	P. S. 1,	" " "
	May E. Mathews.....	M. D. 7,	transferred from P. D. 20, Jan. 1.
	Maggie G. Callahan.....	F. D. 7,	appointed Jan. 1.
	Mary Regan.....	P. D. 7,	" "
	Anna A. Strub... ..	P. D. 20,	transfer from P. S. 1, Jan. 1.
	Margaret B. Wilson.....	F. D. 42,	appointed Jan. 1.
	Mary A. Weber.....	P. D. 75,	resigned "
	Eleanor L. Toner.....	P. D. 75,	transfer from P. S. 1, Jan. 21.
	Maggie Cunningham.....	P. D. 75,	" " " " 21.
11th.	Sadie McLeod.....	P. S. 3,	appointed additional " 5,
	Bertha Rosette.....	P. S. 5,	" " " 5.
	" "	F. D. 22,	appointed Jan. 21.
	Mary F. Clifford.....	M. D. 22,	" "
	Kate Enright.....	P. S. 5,	" additional Jan. 21.
12th.	Maude M. Goodale.....	F. D. 68,	resigned Dec. 15, 1884.
	Eleanor I. Keller.....	F. D. 68,	appointed "
	Ada D. Hovey.....	G. D. 43,	resigned Jan. 1.
	Henrietta Robertson.....	G. D. 43,	appointed "

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- 12th. Isabel A. Magner.....F. D. 72, transferred from F. D. 78, Jan 1.
 Phoebe J. Thompson.....F. D. 78, " " M. D. 39 "
 Anne I. Fitzsimmons.....F. D. 78, appointed Jan. 1.
 Ada I. Anderson.....F. D. 78, transfer from P. D. 87, Jan. 1.
 Lizzie A. McLaughlinM. D. 39, appointed Jan. 1.
 Flora M. Curry.....M. D. 57, " "
 Eva A. Drumgold.....P. D. 37, " "
 Kate F. Trainor.....P. D. 83, " "
 C. Augusta Sanger.....F. D. 83, " "
 Rose C. Farley.....P. D. 83, " "
 Eliz. B. O'Brien.....P. D. 83, " "
 Amelia A. Hinvest.....P. D. 83, " "
 Eliz. W. Hopper... ..P. D. 83, " "
 Adele Cohen.....P. D. 83, transferred from P. D. 78, Feb. 1.
 Annie Spence.....P. D. 83, transfer from P. S. 42, Feb. 1.
 Annie H. Munson....." appointed Jan. 1.
 Ida V. McCafferty....." " "
 Helen Levien....." " "
 Adeline Dolan....." " "
 Annie B. Clarke....." " "
 Annie G. Hogan.....M. D. 39, " Feb 1.
 A. G. Bower....." " "
 Millicent Baum " transfer from P. D. 57, Feb. 1.
 Jacob Warner....." appointed Feb. 1.
 L. J. Twomey.....P. D. 57, " "
 Ella Finney....." " additional Feb. 1.
 Cecelia Adams.....F. D. 68, transfer from P. D. 68, Feb. 1.
 Mabel Bernhard....." appointed Feb. 1.
 Eveline O'Reilly.....M. D. 57, " "
 Jennie C. Wright.....G. D. 54, " "
 Fannie Van Dusen.....G. D. 43, " "
 Annie B. Clarke... ..P. D. 78, transfer from P. D. 83, Feb. 1.
- 13th. Elizabeth M. McArdle....M. D. 4, transfer Jan. 1.
 Lillian G. Brown.....P. S. 40, appointed Jan. 1.
 Ida A. Cowan.....M. D. 34, " " 7.
 Mary F. Loper.....F. D. 34, transfer from P. S. 20, Jan. 1.
 Eliza Berghold.....F. D. 4, " " P. D. 34, " 1.
 Mary F. Hughes.....P. D. 34, appointed Jan. 5.
 Hester A. Meredith....." " " 6.
 Sophia J. Nicolai.....P. S. 20, " additional Jan. 6.
- 15th. Emma L. Howser.....M. D. 35, resigned Jan. 1.
 Isabel G. Westendorf....." transfer from G. S. 47, Jan. 1.
 Millie E. Law.....P. D. 35, appointed Jan. 1.
 Mary H. Kenyon.....F. D. 35, " additional Jan. 1.

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- 15th. Flora M. Curry.....M. D. 35, appointed additional Jan. 1.
 Josephine P. Samuel.....F. D. 10, " " "
 Flora M. Curry.....M. D. 35, resigned Jan. 6.
 Clotilde E. Serre " appointed additional Jan. 6.
- 16th. Annie E. Perine.....G. D. 45, appointed Jan. 1.
 Henrietta Hunzinger.....P. D. 11, " "
 Bella Knapp.....G. D. 55, " "
 Jennie Rankin.....G. D. 56, " " 19.
 Eva Matson....." transfer from P. D. 56, Jan. 19.
 Martha Jordan....." appointed additional Jan. 19.
 Helena Maccable....." appointed Feb. 1.
 Augusta Leaycraft....." " additional Feb. 1.
- 17th. Delia Zacharias.....P. D. 25, " Dec. 3, 1884.
 Eliza C. ReynoldsP. S. 9, transfer Jan. 1.
 Retta C. Twomey...M. D. 13, " from P. S. 9, Jan. 1.
 Emma C. Slowey.....F. D. 13, " " P. D. 25, "
 Helen Nagle.....P. D. 25, " " P. S. 26, "
 Carrie Flynn.....P. S. 6, resigned Feb. 4.
 Kate L. Keresy.....P. D. 19, " "
 Matilda Brophy....." transfer from P. S. 22, Feb. 4.
 Martha SchultzP. D. 19, appointed additional Jan. 1.
 Mary Griffin.....P. S. 6, " " "
 Matilda Brophy....P. S. 22, " " "
- 18th. Annie F. Thorne.....P. D. 50, appointed additional Jan. 5.
 Maggie E. Coghlan.....P. D. 40, " "
 Mary F. Lambert.P. S. 28, resigned Jan. 7.
 Anna L. Roy.....G. S. 40, transfer from P. S. 29, Jan. 19.
 Kate M. Clancey.....P. S. 28, appointed Jan. 21.
- 19th. John Boyle.....M. D. 74, deceased Jan. 8.
 Lizzie I. Titus.M. D. 74, appointed, Jan. 1.
 P. Benedict O'Meara.....M. D. 74, appointed additional, Jan. 26.
 Lillian M. Hermberg.....P. D. 74, resigned, Jan. 1.
 Emma R. Mosbach.....P. D. 74, appointed Jan. 1.
 Florence Knebly.. . . .P. S. 35, " "
 Esther Lewengood.....P. D. 77, " 12.
 Mary F. GoodwinM. D. 77, " 26,
 Emma M. Daly.....M. D. 70, resigned Jan. 9.
 Caroline Zirker.....M. D. 70, transfer from P. D. 70, Jan. 9.
 Mary A. Kelly.....M. D. 70, appointed Jan. 9.
 Sarah M. Ford.....M. D. 70, resigned "
 Nellie Byrnes.....P. D. 70, appointed "
 Eliza A. McKenna.....P. D. 70, " "
 Frank B. Stevens.....M. D. 18, resigned Jan. 12.
 Wm. L. Felter.....M. D. 18, appointed "

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- 19th. Ida Cowan.....M. D. 18, resigned Jan. 9.
 Amelia Mesa.....P. D. 18, transfer from M. D. 70, Jan. 9.
 Wm. L. Ettinger.....M. D. 27, appointed Jan. 1.
 Emma McGibney.....M. D. 27, " "
 Adele Lavendol.....M. D. 27, " additional Jan. 1.
 Kate Burlinson.....P. D. 27, " " "
 Sophie P. Morrison.....P. D. 59, resigned Jan. 1.
 M. Louise Campman.....P. D. 59, appointed "
 20th. Elizabeth D. Irving.....G. D. 33, " 5.
 Louise Mehl.....G. D. 32, transfer from P. D. 33, Jan. 1.
 Theresa A. Quinn.....P. D. 33, " " 48, "
 Emma A. Batterman.....P. D. 48, " G. D. 32, Jan. 6.
 Harriet M. Dean.....P. S. 27, appointed additional Jan. 1.
 Elizabeth A. Thompson...P. D. 26, " " 8.
 Harriet M. Dean.....G. D. 48, transfer Jan. 26.
 21st. Mary A. Plant.....P. D. 14, deceased Dec. 22, 1884.
 Mary A. Meehan.....P. D. 14, transfer from P. D. 49, Jan. 1.
 Lydia E. Hull.....M. D. 49, appointed Jan. 1.
 Matilde E. B. Sauer.....M. D. 49, " "
 Julia A. Vogel.....F. D. 14, " "
 Nora G. Cotter.....P. S. 16, resigned "
 Rebecca H. Daly.....P. S. 16, appointed "
 22d. Zipporah de Frece.....P. D. 58, resigned Dec. 1, 1884.
 Mary E. Quigg.....P. D. 28, " "
 Sophie L. White.....M. D. 69, appointed Jan. 1.
 Emma Burnett.....M. D. 69, " "
 Lily Haslett.....P. D. 58, " Dec. 1, 1884.
 Mamie E. Beattie.....F. D. 17, " Jan. 1.
 Abbie C. Read.....F. D. 17, " "
 Annie McCann.....F. D. 17, " Dec. 5, 1884.
 Mary L. Flora.....P. S. 41, " additional Dec. 5, 1884.
 Mathilde Enste.....P. D. 28, " Dec. 1, 1884.
 Charlotte E. Warner.....F. D. 51, " "
 Pauline Frank.....P. D. 9, resigned Jan. 1
 Pauline B. Theissinger ...M. D. 51, " "
 Janet GlassM. D. 9, appointed Jan. 1.
 Cath. M. Chase....." " additional Jan. 1.
 Rose Nathan.....M. D. 51, " Jan. 1.
 Clara S. Calkins....." " "
 Emma L. Seely.....F. D. 51, " " 7.
 Marietta T Phelan.....P. D. 51, " " 1.
 Harriet Dimon.....F. D. 9, " "
 Esther Haslett.....M. D. 67, " "
 Laura J. Flynn.....P. D. 67, " additional Jan. 1.

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- 22d. Marion McA. Christie. . . . F. D. 28, appointed Jan. 1.
 Flora McMillan. P. S. 41, " "
 Mary L. Flood. " " additional Jan. 1.
23d. Theresa O'Neil. P. D. 60, " Jan. 1.
 Isabella Dennis. " " "
 Frances E. Morris. G. D. 61, " "
 Sarah Martin. G. D. 62, " "
 Minnie E. Bell. P. D. 62, " "
 Annie D. Trowbridge. . . . G. D. 60, transferred from P. D. 60, Jan. 26.
 Mary Raleigh. " " " P. S. 44, "
 Mary A. M. Lynch. P. D. 60, appointed Jan. 26.
 Edna M. Merrill. P. S. 44, transfer from P. D. 61, Jan. 26.
 Carrie R. Bisland. P. D. 61, appointed additional Jan. 26.
24th. Margaret Shea. G. D. 64, appointed Jan. 5.
 Elizabeth M. Ball. P. D. 64, " "
 Jessie M. Law. G. S. 66, " additional Jan. 5.
 Marion Clarey. P. S. 47, " Jan. 5.
 Virginia T. Middleton. . . . G. D. 63, " additional Jan. 5.
 Ella Curry. P. S. 45, " " "

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes.

From the Clerk of the Board, transmitting a check for \$21, from Golden & Norton, in payment of damages to windows in Grammar School No. 59, in blasting rocks near the building.
Referred to the Auditing Committee.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Counsel to the Corporation, relative to the title to the site on Ogden and Lind avenues, at Highbridgeville, as follows :

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION, }
NEW YORK, *February 14, 1885.*

LAWRENCE D. KIERNAN, Esq.,
Clerk of the Board of Education :

SIR—The Board of Education having, by resolution adopted on the 2d of last July, resolved to purchase a plot of ground,

with the small buildings thereon, on the west side of Ogden avenue, running through to Lind avenue, between Union and Devoe streets, about three hundred feet south of Union street, known on the map of Highbridgeville as lot No. 19, and authorized the Comptroller to pay for the same on the certificate of the Counsel to the Corporation that the title was satisfactory and free from all incumbrances, and vested in the corporation of the City of New York—

I have to report that in compliance with said resolution I have examined the title to said premises, and certified the same to the Comptroller, and that he has accepted the deed of the premises, and paid the purchase price, and that the title to the said premises is now vested in the corporation of the City of New York, free from all incumbrances.

In examining this title I have incurred expenses as follows :

Fees of Westchester Register of Deeds.....	\$17 50
Fees of Westchester County Clerk.	20 00
Fees of the Westchester County Treasurer..	2 00
Fees of New York Register of Deeds.....	6 10
Fees of New York County Clerk	12 70
Fees of Tax Searcher	20 00
And for a Survey	30 00
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Total	\$108 30

Which please bring to the attention of the Board, that the same may be repaid to me.

I am, sir,

Respectfully yours,

E. HENRY LACOMBE,

Counsel to the Corporation.

Referred to the Auditing Committee.

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes.

From the Counsel to the Corporation, relative to the site on One Hundred and Thirty-eighth and One Hundred and Thirty-ninth streets, east of Willis avenue, as follows :

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION,
NEW YORK, *February 14, 1885.*

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LAWRENCE D. KIERNAN, Esq.,
Clerk of the Board of Education :

SIR—The Board of Education having, by resolution adopted July 9, 1884, and amended October 15, 1884, resolved to purchase the plot of grcund on the north side of One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, commencing at a point 700 feet east of Willis avenue, running through to One Hundred and Thirty-ninth street, and being 125 feet front and rear on each street, and authorized the Comptroller to pay for the same on the certificate of the Counsel to the Corporation that the title was vested in the corporation of the City of New York, free from all incumbrances—

I have to report, that in compliance with said resolution I have examined the title to said premises, and certified the same to the Comptroller, and that he has accepted the deed of the premises, and paid the purchase price, and that the title to the said premises is now vested in the corporation of the City of New York, free from all incumbrances.

In examining this title I have incurred expenses as follows:

For fees of Westchester Register of Deeds....	\$7 00
For fees of Westchester County Clerk.	12 00
For fees of Westchester County Treasurer. ..	4 00
For fees New York Register of Deeds	5 80
For fees of New York County Clerk...	9 90
For fees of New York Tax Searcher.....	25 00
For Survey.....	25 00
Total.....	<hr/> \$88 70

Which please bring to attention of the Board of Education, that the same may be repaid to me.

I am, sir,
Yours respectfully,
E. HENRY LACOMBE,
Counsel to the Corporation.

Referred to the Auditing Committee.

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes.

From the Counsel to the Corporation, relative to the title to the property on the south side of West Fiftieth street, as follows :

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION,
New York, *February* 13, 1885.

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LAWRENCE D. KIERNAN, Esq.,
Clerk of the Board of Education :

SIR—The Board of Education having, by resolutions adopted, one on the 15th of last October, the other on the 30th of last December, resolved to purchase the premises situated on the south side of Fiftieth street, commencing at a point four hundred feet and six inches west of Ninth avenue, and being 139 feet front and rear, and 100 feet deep, and authorized the Comptroller to pay for the same on the certificate of the Counsel to the Corporation that the title was satisfactory and free from all incumbrances, and vested in the corporation of the City of New York—

I have to report that in compliance with said resolution, I have examined the title to said premises, and certified the same to the Comptroller, and that he has accepted the deeds of the premises, and paid the purchase price, and that the title to the said premises is now vested in the corporation of the City of New York, free from all incumbrances.

In examining this title I have incurred expenses as follows :

Fees of the Register of Deeds	\$76 70
Fees of the County Clerk.....	114 00
Fees of Tax Searcher.....	23 00
And for a Survey.....	25 00
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Total.....	\$238 70

Which please bring to attention of the Board of Education, that the same may be repaid to me.

I am, sir, yours respectfully,

E. HENRY LACOMBE,

Counsel to the Corporation.

Referred to the Auditing Committee.

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes.

From the Counsel to the Corporation, relative to the site in King street, as follows :

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION, }
NEW YORK, *February 13, 1885.*

LAWRENCE D. KIERNAN, Esq.,

Clerk of the Board of Education:

SIR—The Board of Education having, by resolutions adopted, one on the 3d and the other on the 16th of last December, resolved to purchase the premises known as Nos. 29, 31, 33 and 35 King street, and authorized the Comptroller to pay for the same on the certificate of the Counsel to the Corporation that the title was vested in the corporation of the City of New York, free from all incumbrances, except lettings or leases expiring on the 1st of May next—

I have to report that, in compliance with said resolutions, I have examined the title to said premises, and certified the same to the Comptroller, and that he has accepted the deed of the premises and paid the purchase price, and that the title to the said premises is now vested in the corporation of the City of New York, subject only to verbal lettings expiring on the 1st day of May next—

In examining this title I have incurred expenses as follows :

Fees of the Register of Deeds	\$26 40
Fees of the County Clerk	29 30
Fees of Tax Searcher	18 50

Total \$74 20

Which please bring to attention of the Board of Education, that the same may be repaid to me.

I am, sir, yours respectfully,

E. HENRY LACOMBE,

Counsel to the Corporation.

Referred to the Auditing Committee.

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes.

From Wilbur F. Hudson, President of the Teachers' Association, inviting the members of the Board to the reception at Steinway Hall, on Saturday afternoon, the 21st inst., in commemoration of Washington's Birthday.

On motion of Commissioner BELL, said invitation was accepted, and the communication ordered to be placed on file.

From Miss Rachel S. Gorlitz, appealing from the action of the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, in changing her salary and position.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From Emil Bartels, asking that his daughter be restored to her class in F. D. G. S. No. 78.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From Hiram Merritt, Trustee of the Seventeenth Ward, asking that the amount of \$228.95, paid by him on a judgment against the Trustees of said Ward, be refunded.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From A. S. Barnes & Co., asking that Steele's Hygienic Physiology be added to the list of supplies.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From Miss Elizabeth A. Pope, asking that she be paid the maximum salary as Principal of F. D. G. S. No. 3.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Industrial Education Association, asking for the

use of rooms in school buildings, for the purposes of industrial instruction.

Referred to the Special Committee on Industrial Education.

From P. W. Felix, with reference to the sites on the corner of Sixth avenue and West One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street.

Referred to the Committee on Sites and New Schools.

REPORTS LAID OVER UNDER THE RULE.

The PRESIDENT announced for consideration the report of the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, denying the application of the New York Ventilator Company, for the placing of their apparatus in P. S. No. 11, Journal, pp. 90, 91.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, dismissing the appeal of Miss Margaret T. Guernsey, P. D. G. S. No. 26, Journal, pp. 91, 92.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, nominating John Walsh for Principal of G. S. No. 74, in place of John Boyle, deceased, January 7th, 1885, Journal, p. 92.

Commissioner TAMSEN offered the following as a substitute for the resolution attached to the report of the Committee :

Resolved, That the report of the Committee on Teachers, relating to the nomination of Mr. John Walsh for the position of Principal of Male Department of Grammar School No. 74, is hereby recommitted ; that the Committee be instructed, before making any further nominations, to submit to this Board their plan on consolidation, and the number of schools which are left or intended to be consolidated.

Resolved, That the Committee on Teachers, in all cases of vacancies in positions of Principals, shall be bound to con-

sider the expediency of nominating one of those Principals who are, or are going to be, deprived of their places by consolidation of schools.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would substitute the resolution offered by Commissioner Tamsen for the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Devoe, Ivins, Perkins, Schmitt, Tamsen and Vermilye—8.

Nays—Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Pomeroy, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Wallace, Welch and Wood—12.

Commissioner PERKINS moved that the resolution of the Committee be amended by substituting the name of J. E. Whitehead, G. S. No. 38, in place of John Walsh.

The PRESIDENT called Commissioner Wood to the chair.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner Perkins, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Perkins, Schmitt and Tamsen—4.

Nays—Commissioners Beardslee, Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Ivins, Kelly, Pomeroy, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch and Wood—16.

The PRESIDENT moved that the name of Evander Childs be substituted for that of John Walsh.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of the President, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Ivins, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Tamsen and Vermilye—8.

Nays—Commissioners Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Pomeroy, Seligman, Simmons, Wallace, Welch and Wood—11.

The **PRESIDENT** *pro tem.* then put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Beardslee, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Ivins, Kelly, Pomeroy, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Wallace, Welch and Wood—14.

Nays—The **PRESIDENT**, and Commissioners Perkins, Schmitt, Tamsen and Vermilye—5.

The **PRESIDENT** resumed the Chair.

The **PRESIDENT** announced the report of the Committee on Buildings, to pay Mrs. Mary F. Hunt and Mrs. Margaret Sturgeon, for temporary services as Janitrix of P. S. No. 24, and G. S. No. 40, respectively, Journal, p. 94.

The **PRESIDENT** put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The **PRESIDENT**, and Commissioners Beardslee, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Ivins, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch and Wood—19.

The **PRESIDENT** announced the report of the Committee on Buildings, to authorize Trustees of Fourteenth Ward to advertise for proposals for iron stairways at G. S. No. 30, Journal, p. 95.

Adopted.

The **PRESIDENT** announced the report of the Committee on Buildings, to authorize the Committee to advertise for proposals for connecting the Schools with the Fire Department by the signal service system, Journal, pp. 95, 96.

Adopted.

The **PRESIDENT** announced the report of the Committee on Buildings, to authorize the Trustees of the Third Ward to re-hire the premises No. 67 Warren street for P. S. No. 37, at a rental of \$2,400, Journal, p. 97.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Ivins, Kelly, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch and Wood—18.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Auditing Committee, to pay bills of Edward Humphrey for removing books and supplies from and to G. S. Nos. 12 and 31, Journal, pp. 97, 98.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Ivins, Kelly, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch and Wood—18.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, to excuse the absence of Miss Catharine Connolly, P. D. G. S. No. 67, Journal, p. 100.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Ivins, Kelly, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch and Wood—18.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the appeal of Misses C. A. Bell and Kate E. Hogan, assistant teachers in Male De-

partment No. 58, from the action of the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward in rearranging their salaries on the schedule for 1885; stating, that the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward have made the schedule of salaries to be paid the teachers in M. D. G. S. No. 58, in accordance with the by-laws, and have filed the same with the Clerk of the Board.

The Committee are therefore of opinion that these teachers have no appeal, as contemplated in the by-laws, and recommend that the appeal be dismissed.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the appeal of Misses C. A. Bell and Kate E. Hogan from the action of the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, in arranging the schedule of salaries to be paid the teachers in Male Department No. 58, during 1885, be, and the same is hereby dismissed.

EUGENE H. POMEROY,	} Committee on Teachers.
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	
WILLIAM WOOD,	
EUGENE KELLY,	

Commissioner WOOD asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom were referred applications from the Trustees of several Wards, to excuse the absence of teachers, with full pay ; stating, that the cause of absence in each case reported herein is personal illness.

A statement is submitted, showing the record of each applicant for the past five years.

The Committee recommend that the absences be excused, with full pay, for the time stated in the column "Time allowed," in the following resolution, which is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the following-named teachers be excused for

absence, and granted leave of absence, with full pay, for the "time allowed" herein :

WARD.	School.	Name.	Time Allowed.	Years of Service.	Instruction.	Discipline.	No. Days Lost.	Exp. with full pay.
1st.	M. D. 29.	Thomas E. Cody.....	14 d. Jan.....	30	Ex.....	Ex.....	34	4 d.
	F. D. 29.	Amy B. Conklin.....	3 d. Jan.....	30	{ Management.....		25	9 d.
					{ Excellent.....			
	P. D. 29.	Mary A. Veltch.....	8 d. Jan.....	8	{ Ex.....4 y.....		55	1 d.
					{ Good...1 y.Ex.....			
	P. D. 29.	Joanna C. Rice.....	4 d. Jan.....	14	{ Good...2 y.....		46	3½ d.
					{ Ex.....3 y.Ex.....			
	P. D. 29.	Kate E. McCarthy.....	3 d. Jan.....	13	{ Good...1 y.Good...1 y.		15	.....
					{ Ex.....4 y.Ex.....4 y.			
	F. D. 29.	M. Louise Jennett.....	30 d. Jan.....	5	{ Good...2 y.Good...1 y.		114	30 d.
					{ Ex.....3 y.Ex.....4 y.			
4th.	M. D. 1.	John McGinn.....	3½ d. Jan.....	21	{ Fair...1 y.....		49	30 d.
					{ Good...4 y.Ex.....			
	M. D. 1.	Mary F. Hurley.....	8 d. Jan.....	22	{ Good...1 y.Good...2 y.		1	.....
					{ Ex.....4 y.Ex.....3 y.			
8th.	F. D. 23.	Annie D. Kydd.....	9 d. Jan. .	19	Ex.....	Ex.....	16	.....
	M. D. 23.	Maggie Garvin.....	5 d. Jan.....	16	{ Good...2 y.....		24	.....
					{ Ex.....3 y.Ex.....			
	M. D. 8.	Lottie A. Norcott.....	3 d. Jan.....	9	{ Good...2 y.....		23	½ d.
					{ Ex.....3 y.Ex.....			
9th.	M. D. 3.	Mary E. Foreyth	10 d. Jan.....	15	General Assistant.....		34	4 d.
	F. D. 41.	M. Augusta Bohda.	19 d. Jan.....	22	Ex.....	Ex.....	13	10 d.
	F. D. 41.	Emmeline Miller.	7 d. Jan.....	21	Ex.....	Ex.....	3	.....
	F. D. 3.	Emma S. Jones.	20 d. Jan.....	20	Ex.....	Ex.....	43	12 d.
10th.	F. D. 7.	Sarah Price.	1 mo.....	19	Ex.....	Ex.....	15	.....
	P. S. 1.	Maggie McQuade.....	15 d. Jan.....	12	{ Good...2 y.....		6	.....
					{ Ex.....3 y.Ex.....			
	F. D. 7.	Ellen L. Chapman.....	2 d. Jan.....	34	{ Good...2 y.....		101	11 d.
					{ Ex.....3 y.Ex.....			
	M. D. 20.	Marianne Brennan.....	3 d. Jan.....	18	{ Good...1 y.Good...1 y.		20	.....
					{ Ex... ..2 y.Ex.....4 y.			
	P. D. 20.	Cornelia D. Banta.....	17 d. Jan.....	24	{ Ex.....3 y.....		39	6 d.
					{ Good...3 y.Ex.....			
11th.	P. D. 15.	Sarah E. Baker.....	6 d. Jan.....	16	{ Ex.....4 y.....		66	55 d.
					{ Good...1 y.Ex.....			
	F. D. 71.	Emma F. Adams.....	13½ d. Jan....	19	Ex.....	Ex.....	27	.....
	P. S. 3.	Theresa Keating.....	3 d. Jan.....	20	Ex.....	Ex.....	55	52 d.
12th.	F. D. 73.	Emma Schoonmaker....	3 d. Jan.....	12	{ Ex.....4 y.....		41	30½ d.
					{ Good...1 y.Ex.....			
	P. D. 37.	Margaret Lawson.....	4 d. Jan.....	21	{ Good...1 y.....		141	16 d.
					{ Ex.....4 y.Ex.....			
	P. S. 49.	Emma A. Klausner....	18 d. Jan.....	5	{ Good...1 y.....		6	.....
					{ Ex.....4 y.Ex.....			
	F. D. 72.	Ella C. Platt.....	8½ d. Jan.....	7	Ex.....	Ex.....	43	36 d.
	F. D. 73.	Mary S. De Forest.....	5 d. Jan.....	11	{ Good...3 y.....		153	19 d.
					{ Ex.....2 y.Ex.....			
	P. D. 43.	Minnie Cusick.....	3 d. Jan.....	6	Ex.....	Ex.....	26	.....
	F. D. 37.	Lydia M. Lowenstein...	9 d. Jan.....	10	Ex.....	Ex.....	34	8 d.
13th.	M. D. 35.	Mary D. Stevens.....	5 d. Jan.....	8	General Assistant.....		37	.....
	P. D. 10.	Eliza Purdy.....	4½ d. Jan.....	40	{ Management.....		19	.....
					{ Ex.....4 y.....			
					{ Good...1 y.....			
	P. D. 10.	Cath. Lockman.....	19 d. Feb.....	14	Ex.....	Ex.....	6	.....
14th.	M. D. 65.	Ellen D. Trophagen....	3 d. Jan.....	30	Good.....	Ex.....	123	30 d.

Ward.	School.	Name.	Time Allowed.	Years of Service.	Instruction.	Discipline.	No. Days Lost.	Exc. with full pay.
	P. D. 55.	Hannah M. Rouse.....	4 d. Jan.....	31	{ Management..... Excellent..... }		43	24 d.
	F. D. 45.	Alice T. Knox.....	18 d. Jan.....	10	Ex.....	Ex.....	23	13 d.
	P. D. 11.	Mary F. Vandervoort...	15 d. Jan.....	29	{ Good...2'y..... Ex.....3 y.Ex..... }		2	.....
17th.	P. D. 13.	Teresa M. Riley.....	4 d. Jan.....	18	{ Good...1 y..... Ex.....4 y.Ex..... }		61	10 d.
	M. D. 19.	John Vogt.....	3 d. Jan.....	11	{ Good...3 y.Ex....4 y. Ex.....1 y..... Special Teacher...1 y. }		6	.....
	P. D. 19.	Mary E. Barnum.....	8 d. Jan.....	10	Ex.....	Ex.....	5	.....
	P. D. 25.	Kate V. Mangan.....	4 d. Sept....	18	{ Good...1 y..... Ex.....4 y.Ex..... }		38	.....
18th.	P. S. 4.	Martha Mahoney.....	6 d. Jan.....	16	{ Good...1 y..... Ex.....4 y.Ex..... }		6	.....
19th.	F. D. 18.	Maria Geib.....	2 d. Jan.....	8	Ex.....	Ex.....	33	.....
	M. D. 70.	Theresa E. Florence....	18 d. Jan.....	15	{ Fair....1 y.Good..1 y. Good...1 y..... Ex.....3 y.Ex....4 y. }		88	29½ d.
	P. D. 73.	E. M. Gallagher.....	7½ d. Jan....	13	Ex.....	Ex.....	48	14 d.
	F. D. 76.	Sarah C. Terry.....	{ 21 d. Oct... 12 d. Nov.. }	5	Ex.....	Ex.....	37	13 d.
	F. D. 76.	M. M. Boyle.....	6 d. Jan.....	5	Ex.....	Ex.....	8	.....
20th.	P. D. 32.	Kather E. Moore.....	8 d. Jan.....	18	Ex.....	Ex.....	85	12 d.
	G. D. 48.	Carrie S. Bullock.....	3 d. Jan.....	21	{ Ex.....2 y.Ex....4 y. Good...2 y..... Not examined....1 y. }		4	.....
	G. D. 48.	Mary O'Kearney.....	1 d. Jan.....	6	Ex.....	Ex.....	45	.....
	G. D. 32.	Julia M. Clemons.....	20 d. June,'84	12	Ex.....	Ex.....	93	42 d.
21st.	F. D. 49.	F. E. A. Gutch.....	8 d. Jan,....	30	{ Management..... Exellent..... }		5	.....
22d.	F. D. 17.	Sarah C. Hopper.....	5 d. Jan.....	12	{ Good...2 y..... Ex.....3 yEx..... }		12	.....
	P. D. 51.	Lydia Crowe.....	9 d. Jan.....	16	{Good..1 y. Good.....Ex....4 y. }		51	.....
	P. D. 58.	Mary Skifington.....	13 d. Jan.....	28	Ex.....	Ex.....	29	20 d.
23d.	P. D. 62.	Hannah Whealen.....	{ 5 d. Jan... 18 d. Feb... }	10	Ex.....	Ex.....	53	2 d.
	P. D. 60.	Olive E. Fowler.....	4 d. Jan.....	8	{ Good...4 y.Good..1 y. Fair....1 y.Ex....4 y. }		12	.....
	G. D. 61.	Gertrude L. Maring....	8 d. Dec.....	14	Ex.....	Ex.....	29	20 d.
	G. D. 60.	Charles Curtis.....	5 d. Jan.....	5	{ Ex.....4 y..... Good...1 y.Ex..... }		1	.....

Respectfully submitted,

EUGENE H. POMEROY,
EUGENE KELLY,
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,
WILLIAM WOOD,

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Committee
on
Teachers.

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, in the matter of application to pay the

following named Principals the maximum salary for fourteen years' service :

Miss Annie McVey, Principal P. S. No. 3 ;

Miss Wilhelmina M. Bonesteel, Principal P. D. No. 53 ;

stating, that Miss McVey was nominated for her present position December 21, 1870, and was confirmed by the Board of Education February 8, 1871, to take effect from the commencement of service, which was January 4, 1871. Miss Bonesteel was nominated December 21, 1870, and was confirmed February 8, 1871, her appointment dating from January 1, 1871.

The City Superintendent reports the record of both Principals for management during the past five years " excellent."

The Committee therefore recommend that the applications be granted, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the following named Principals be paid the salary prescribed for Principals of Primary Departments and schools of fourteen years standing, in section 35, subdivision 4 of the by-laws, the record of their schools for the past five years being " excellent " :

Miss Annie McVey, Principal P. S. No. 3 ;

Miss Wilhelmina M. Bonesteel, Principal P. D. G. S. No. 53.

EUGENE H. POMEROY,	} Committee on Teachers.
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	
WILLIAM WOOD,	
EUGENE KELLY,	

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented a report from the Auditing Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for the payment of the bill of Dr. John Gleises, for professional services rendered to Master Kameron, a pupil of P. S. No. 35, amounting to \$5 ; stating, that during the month of December, 1884, the said pupil fainted in the large room, fell and hurt his head very badly. The Principal of the school sent for a Police Surgeon,

as required by section 129 of the by-laws, but found that the surgeon assigned to that district had died during the summer. She then engaged the services of Dr. Gleises.

The Committee recommend that the bill be paid, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That Dr. John Gleises be paid the sum of five dollars (\$5) from the Incidental Expense Account of the Board of Education, for professional services rendered to Master Kameron, a pupil of Primary School No. 35, during the month of December, 1884, in accordance with section 129 of the by-laws.

HENRY SCHMITT,
H. B. PERKINS,
ISAAC BELL,
DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,

}

*Auditing
Committee.*

Laid over under the rule.

Commsisioner SCHMITT presented a report from the Auditing Committee, stating that they have examined the accompanying bills, and believing the items thereof to be correct and the charges reasonable, recommend their payment by the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the following named bills be, and they hereby are approved for payment:

Account of 1884.

Wynkoop & Hallenbeck, printing Journal of December 3, 19 and 30, 1884.	\$179 75
Wynkoop & Hallenbeck, printing miscellaneous blanks, &c., December 31, 1884.....	455 06
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	\$634 81

Account of 1885.

The Evening Post Job Printing Office,
printing Journals of January 14 and

21, miscellaneous blanks, &c., Jan- uary 17 to 31, 1885.....	\$211 62	
The Crary Clay Heater Company, re- pairing heaters for Hall Board of Education, February 9, 1885.....	100 25	
Lawrence D. Kiernan, postage, etc., Feb. 4 to 18, 1885.....	61 71	
	<hr/>	\$373 58

HENRY SCHMITT, H. B. PERKINS, DEWITT J. SELIGMAN, ISAAC BELL,	}	<i>Auditing Committee.</i>
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Commissioner SCHMITT asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Ivins, Kelly, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch and Wood—18.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the application of the Trustees of the Tenth Ward, for the payment of the bill of D. & E. Herbert, amounting to \$349.39, for shoring up the walls of Grammar School building No. 7, in 1884; stating, that during the past summer notice was given to the Superintendent of School Buildings, that it was necessary to protect the school property, in consequence of a building being erected adjoining Grammar School House No. 7. The work was done, and a bill for \$349.49 has been rendered by the Trustees for the same.

The Committee recommend that the bill be paid, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the sum of three hundred and forty-nine ³⁹/₁₀₀ dollars (\$349.39) be, and the same is hereby appropriated

from the funds of 1884, for the payment of the bill of D. & E. Herbert, for shoring up the walls, &c., of Grammar School building No. 7, and that all by-laws, or parts of by-laws inconsistent herewith be suspended for the purpose of this resolution. The bill to be paid on the approval of the Superintendent of School Buildings and Committee on Buildings.

F. W. DEVOE,
G. SCHWAB,
R. M. GALLAWAY,
EUGENE H. POMEROY, } *Committee
on
Buildings.*

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, to pay Mrs. Catharine Hughes \$225.75 for care of premises of Grammar School No. 80, at 252 West Forty-second street, and Grammar School No. 67, 225 West Forty-first street, from August 15th to November 22, 1884; stating, that Mrs. Hughes, formerly janitrix of School 17, which was reorganized as Primary Department Grammar School No. 67, at the request of the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, performed the duties of janitrix, including the cleaning of the premises of Grammar School No. 80, in West Forty-second street, from August 15th to September 30, 1884, and of Grammar School No. 67, in West Forty-first street, from October 1st to November 22, 1884.

No salary has been paid for the position of janitrix of either premises for the time stated, and the Committee recommends that the salary be paid as follows:

For G. S. No. 80, Aug. 15 to Sept. 30, 1884.....	70 50
“ cleaning.....	47 00
For G. S. No. 67, Oct. 1 to Nov. 22, 1884... ..	70 90
“ for cleaning the Male Depart- ment.....	25 00
Total	\$222 40

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That Mrs. Catharine Hughes be paid the sum of \$222.40, from the funds of 1884, for services rendered as janitrix of the premises of Grammar School 80, No. 252 West Forty-second street, and Grammar School 67, No. 225 West Forty-first street, from August 15th to November 22, 1884, including extra cleaning of the premises named.

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
G. SCHWAB,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the bill of Thomas Lyons, for extra work done in connection with his contract for altering and fitting up the premises No. 626 Washington street, for Primary School No. 7, stating: that the work represented by the bill was necessary, and done by agreement with the School Trustees and Superintendent of School Buildings, under the provisions of the contract executed December 6, 1884. The charges are reasonable and as agreed upon.

The Committee recommend that the bill be paid and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the bill of Thomas Lyons, amounting to \$106.42, for extra work done in connection with his contract, dated December 6, 1884, for altering and fitting up the premises No. 626 Washington street, for the use of Primary School No. 7, be, and the same is hereby ordered to be paid upon a report being made by the Finance Committee of the "financial ability" of the Board to order such payment.

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
G. SCHWAB,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner SIMMONS presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward to pay the Janitor of Branch of Grammar School No. 78, \$30 per month for the months of September, October and November, 1884; stating, that the Trustees had no authority to employ a janitor for this branch building, and the Committee therefore recommend that the application be denied, and submit the following resolution for adoption:

Resolved, That the application of the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward to pay the janitor of Branch Grammar School No. 78, for services in taking care of premises for September, October and November, 1884, be, and the same is hereby denied, the Trustees having no authority to make such appointment.

J. EDWARD SIMMONS,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, &c.</i>
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner SIMMONS presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the report of the Joint Committee on Buildings, and Warming and Ventilation, amending section 30 of the By-laws, with reference to the duties of the Engineer (Journal, pp. 89, 90); stating, that they have carefully considered the amendments submitted by the Joint Committee, have made several slight amendments thereto, and recommend that Section 30 be amended, so as to read as follows:

ARTICLE X.—DUTIES OF THE ENGINEER.

§ 30. It shall be the duty of the Engineer to examine all the heating and ventilating apparatus used in the school buildings under the control of the Board in reference to their capacity to heat and ventilate the buildings, their safety and condition as to repairs, and the care and economy shown in their management by the Janitors having them in charge; he shall also

examine the plumbing and drainage of the school buildings, and, under the direction of the Committees on Buildings and Warming and Ventilation, prepare and approve all plans and specifications for plumbing, drainage and heating apparatus, and for repairing, improvements and alterations thereof. He shall also make similar examination as to the sanitary condition of the school buildings, and shall report the result of all such examinations to the Committee on Buildings or to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, as the case may require, except that in regard to the buildings of the Normal College and Training Department he shall act under the direction of the Committee on Normal College, and report to the same.

He shall also superintend all work done in connection with heating, ventilating, plumbing, drainage, and sanitary improvement, whether said work be done by contract or otherwise; he shall examine all such work when done before it is accepted, and the bills therefor as they are presented, and shall correct the same, if necessary, and certify to their correctness, if approved. His certificate shall be authority to the Superintendent of School Buildings in respect to certificates to be given by him for the payment of bills for such work done by contract or otherwise, as above designated.

Manual, page 92, line 12, add:

“And whether the buildings and the rooms thereof are in good sanitary condition.”

J. EDWARD SIMMONS,	} Committee on By-laws, &c.
R. G. BEARDSLEE,	
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	
WILLIAM WOOD,	

Commissioner SIMMONS asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the amendments submitted by the Committee on By-Laws, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Ivins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch and Wood—17.

Commissioner SIMMONS presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward to pay the Janitor of Branch Grammar School No. 78 for services rendered from December 1st to 17th, 1884; stating, that on December 1st, 1884, the Trustees appointed a janitor to take charge of Branch of Grammar School No. 78, and applied to the Board for authority to make such appointment. That Board, at its meeting held December 17, 1884, suspended the by-laws, and authorized the appointment, and the janitor, Mr. McCusker, has been paid from that date. The Committee recommend that he be paid the amount deducted from the December pay-roll (December 1st to 17th), amounting to \$18.13, and submit the following resolution for adoption:

Resolved, That Mr. John McCusker be paid the sum of eighteen $18\frac{13}{100}$ dollars (\$18.13), for services in taking care of premises of Branch of Grammar School No. 78, from December 1st to 17th, 1884.

J. EDWARD SIMMONS, R. G. BEARDSLEE, EUGENE H. POMEROY, GILBERT H. CRAWFORD, WILLIAM WOOD,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, &c.</i>
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Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner SIMMONS presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, &c., to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, for the approval of a new schedule of salaries for Female Department Grammar School No. 46; stating, that the schedule submitted by the Trustees is not in accordance with the by-laws.

The Committee therefore recommend that the application be denied, and submit the following resolution for adoption:

Resolved, That the application from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward for the approval of a new schedule of salaries for Female Department No. 46, not in accordance with the by-laws, be and the same is hereby denied.

J. EDWARD SIMMONS, R. G. BEARDSLEE, EUGENE H. POMEROY, GILBERT H. CRAWFORD, WILLIAM WOOD,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, &c.</i>
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Commissioner SIMMONS asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner SIMMONS, presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications; stating, that on January 21, 1885, the Board enacted a by-law, by the operation of which female teachers marrying vacate their positions. In order to make the by-laws harmonize, it is necessary that section 33, subdivision 8, on pp. 100 and 101 of Manual of 1884, should be amended by striking out the last sentence of said subdivision, beginning on the second line from the bottom of page 100.

The following resolution is therefore submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That section 33, subdivision 8, of the by-laws, be amended by striking out the last clause of said subdivision, beginning on the second line from the bottom of page 100 of the Manual of 1884.

J. EDWARD SIMMONS, R. G. BEARDSLEE, EUGENE H. POMEROY, GILBERT H. CRAWFORD, WILLIAM WOOD,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, &c.</i>
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Commissioner BEARDSLEE asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would

adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Ivins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch and Wood—17.

Commissioner SIMMONS presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was recommitted July 2, 1884, the report presented June 25, 1884 (Journal, 1884, pages 595, 596), amending section 35, subdivision 3, of the by-laws, with reference to salaries paid female first assistants in Mixed Grammar Schools ; stating, that they have again carefully considered the subject, and recommend that section 35, subdivision 3, be amended by adding in the fifth line from the top of page 109 of the Manual of 1884, after the word “employed,” the words, “and where the average attendance exceeds one hundred and fifty.”

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That section 35, subdivision 3, of the by-laws, be amended by adding in the fifth line from the top of page 109, Manual of 1884, after the words “employed,” the words, “and where the average attendance exceeds one hundred and fifty.”

J. EDWARD SIMMONS,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, &c.</i>
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		

Commissioner BEARDSLEE asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Ivins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab,

Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch and Wood—17.

Commissioner TAMSEN presented a report from the Committee on Nomination of Trustees, to whom was referred the resignation of Walter H. Mead, as Trustee for the Sixteenth Ward, submitting for adoption the following resolutions :

Resolved, That the resignation as Trustee of Common Schools for the Sixteenth Ward, tendered by Walter H. Mead, be accepted.

Resolved, That George E. Hoe, residence No. 325 West Fourteenth street, be and he hereby is appointed Trustee of Common Schools for the Sixteenth Ward, *vice* Walter H. Mead, resigned, to hold office until the first day of January, eighteen hundred and eighty-seven (1887), said appointment being made by and in pursuance of the authority conferred upon this Board by Section 1025 of the New York Consolidation Act of 1882.

The business of Mr. Hoe is Builder.

EDWARD J. H. TAMSEN,	}	<i>Committee on Nomination of Trustees.</i>
F. W. DEVOE,		
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		
EUGENE KELLY,		
H. B. PERKINS,		
ISAAC BELL,		
H. B. WALLACE,		
J. D. VERMILYE,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner WELCH presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, to whom were referred the applications from the Trustees of the Fourth, Sixth and Sixteenth Wards for new furniture, viz. :

Fourth Ward—G. S. 1, two rooms in Primary Department.

Sixth Ward—G. S. 24, furnish assembly room, second floor, with settees.

Sixteenth Ward—G. S. 45, new desks and seats for three rooms in Grammar Department.

Stating, that the furniture in use in two rooms in Primary

Department No. 1 is about twenty years old. The change would give better facilities for thorough classification, would add to the comfort of the larger pupils, and enable the teachers to do more efficient work in the higher primary grade.

In the second floor assembly room of Grammar School No. 24 the desks and seats at present in the room permit the Principal to assemble but about one-half the school at a time, and by furnishing settees in place thereof, the whole Female Department can be accommodated with seats during the "opening exercises."

In Female Department Grammar School No. 45, it is proposed to remove the seats in two class-rooms, and the desks and seats in one class-room, and to supply larger ones in their places. This change is recommended by the City Superintendent.

The Committee approve all of the proposed changes, and recommend that inasmuch as the work in each case will exceed \$200, that the Trustees of the Wards named herein be authorized to advertise for proposals for making the necessary changes, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the School Trustees of the Wards named herein be, and they hereby are authorized to advertise for proposals for new furniture, &c., in the schools named herein. Plans and specifications to be prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the Committee on School Furniture and Trustees.

Fourth Ward—G. S. 1, refurnish two rooms in Primary Department.

Sixth Ward—G. S. 24, furnish assembly room on second floor with settees.

Sixteenth Ward.—G. S. 45, new desks and seats for three rooms in Grammar Department.

W. J. WELCH,	}	<i>Committee on School Furniture.</i>
J. D. VERMILYE,		
EDWARD J. H. TAMSEN,		
H. B. PERKINS,		
CHAS. L. HOLT,		

Commissioner WELCH asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WOOD presented the report of the Committee on Normal College, relative to the admission of pupils, overcrowding, etc., as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Committee on Normal College, in compliance with the following resolution of Commissioner Crawford, adopted January 14, 1885 (Journal, p. 31):

“ *Resolved*, That the Normal College Committee be requested at an early date to examine and report as to the best plan, in their opinion, to counteract the tendency to overcrowding the College with students.”

Respectfully report :

That President Hunter, of the Normal College, in compliance with the request of the Committee, submitted the following report, at a meeting held February 16, 1885:

NORMAL COLLEGE,
NEW YORK, *Feb.* 16th, 1885. }

The Committee on Normal College :

GENTLEMEN—In conformity with the resolution passed at the last meeting of your Committee, I beg leave to present a report in relation to the resolution of Commissioner Crawford, inquiring what would be the best means of preventing the overcrowding of the Normal College.

Under existing circumstances, there is but one feasible method of preventing this overcrowding ; and that is, to limit the number of admissions to the capacity of the building ; to receive as many candidates as there may be room for in the order of merit, without reference to marks or percentages.

You have already abolished the seventy-five per centum standard for admission—a fact concerning which the Principals

and pupils of the schools have been duly notified, and about which there can be no just cause for complaint in the future.

This plan is in perfect accordance with Civil Service Reform ; will lead to more thorough preparation in the Common Schools, and will give the College a superior class of students and the city a more efficient corps of instructors.

Respectfully, your obedient servant,

THOS. HUNTER.

The Committee, as far back as October 6th, 1884, having the same object in view, adopted the plan as now suggested by President Hunter, and caused a circular to be sent to the Principals of Female Grammar Schools, of which the following is a copy :

NORMAL COLLEGE,
FOURTH AVE. AND SIXTY-EIGHTH ST. }
NEW YORK, October 17th, 1884.

To the Principals of Female Grammar Schools :

At a meeting of the Committee on Normal College, held at the Hall of the Board of Education, on Monday, the 6th inst., the following resolution was unanimously adopted :

“ *Resolved*, That a circular be sent by President Hunter to the Principals of Female Grammar Schools, notifying them that the minimum of seventy-five (75) per centum respecting admission to the Normal College is abolished, and that hereafter candidates will be admitted only in the order of merit, until the number that can be accommodated is completed ; also that the Principals be requested to notify teachers and pupils.”

It is suggested that the Principals read this circular to the assembled schools, and that the pupils be requested to inform their parents.

Respectfully,

THOS. HUNTER,

President Normal College.

WILLIAM WOOD,	}	<i>Committee on Normal College.</i>
ISAAC BELL,		
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		
EUGENE KELLY,		
GUSTAV SCHWAB,		

Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Buildings, recommending the payment of the bill of J. W. Jones for extra work, done under the provisions of the contract entered by him in 1884, for work at Grammar School No. 26, in the Twentieth Ward, amounting to the sum of one hundred and twenty-seven $\frac{22}{100}$ dollars (\$127.22); stating, that the Board has the financial ability to pay the sum named from the fund reserved by the Board in 1884, for special appropriations.

The report of the Committee on Buildings is on page 96 of the Journal of 1885.

J. D. VERMILYE, ISAAC BELL, EUGENE KELLY, DE WITT J. SELIGMAN, R. G. BEARDSLEE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the appeal of several teachers in P. S. No. 22, against the action of the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, in rearranging their salaries on the schedule; stating, that this Board having consolidated P. S. 23 with P. S. 22, the Trustees arranged the schedule of salaries for P. S. 22 in accordance with the length of service of the teachers and the by-laws of the Board.

The schedule is based upon a fixed principle in arranging teachers' salaries, and it appears that the School Trustees have discharged their duty in the matter with fairness.

The Committee recommend that the appeal be dismissed, and submit the following resolution for adoption:

Resolved, That the appeal of several teachers of P. S. No. 22, against the action of the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward in rearranging their salaries on the schedule, be, and the same is hereby dismissed.

EUGENE H. POMEROY, GILBERT H. CRAWFORD, WILLIAM WOOD, EUGENE KELLY,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
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Commissioner TAMSEN asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, to employ a general assistant to act in Male and Female Departments Grammar School No. 9; stating, that the by-laws of the Board do not warrant the employment of a "general assistant" to perform service in more than one department.

The City Superintendents also report that the services of such teachers are not called for by any needs of the departments.

The Committee recommend that the application be denied, and submit the following resolution for adoption:

Resolved, That the application of the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, to employ a "general assistant" to perform duty in the Male and Female Departments of Grammar School No. 9, be, and the same is hereby denied.

EUGENE H. POMEROY,	} Committee on Teachers.
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	
WILLIAM WOOD,	
EUGENE KELLY,	

Laid over under the rule.

MOTION AND RESOLUTIONS.

Commissioner SIMMONS offered the following:

Resolved, That the salaries of the assistant teachers employed in Grammar Schools Nos. 80 and 81, Grammar and Primary Department (formerly Colored Schools Nos. 3 and 4), shall be and continue from May 5, 1884, the same as paid at the time of the passage of Chapter 248 of the Laws of

1884, and that all by-laws or parts of by-laws inconsistent herewith be, and the same are, hereby suspended for the purposes of this resolution.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

✱ *Ayes*—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Ivins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch, and Wood—17.

Commissioner TAMSEN offered the following :

Resolved, That the name of H. W. Blumer, temporary Assistant Weigher of Coal, be, and is hereby placed on the regular monthly pay-roll at his present salary.

Referred to the Committee on Supplies.

Commissioner IVINS offered the following :

Resolved, That in view of the recognized usefulness of the Museum of Natural History, it be referred to a Special Committee, to confer with a similar Committee from the Board of Directors of the Museum, so that the advantages of that institution may be more fully developed, and may be extended more generally to the teachers and pupils of the Public Schools.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT appointed Commissioners IVINS, SCHWAB and HOLT as said Special Committee.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Commissioner SELIGMAN—
The Board adjourned.

LAWRENCE D. KIERNAN,
Clerk.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 1885.

STATED SESSION.

Present—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners BEARDSLEE, BELL, CRAWFORD, DEVOE, GALLAWAY, HOLT, POMEROY, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, TAMSEN, VERMILYE and WOOD—13.

Absent—Commissioners IVINS, KELLY, PERKINS, SCHMITT, SIMMONS, WALLACE, WELCH and WETMORE—8.

On motion, Commissioners PERKINS, SCHMITT, SIMMONS and WALLACE were excused for absence from this meeting of the Board.

On motion, Commissioner WETMORE was excused for absence from all the meetings of the Board during the present year held up to the present date.

The PRESIDENT announced for consideration the minutes of the last session, and put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the session held on February 18, as printed in the Journal, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners BEARDSLEE, BELL, CRAWFORD, DEVOE, GALLAWAY, HOLT, POMEROY, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, TAMSEN, VERMILYE and WOOD—13.

COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Trustees of the First, Third, Fifth, Seventh,

Eighth, Ninth, Tenth, Eleventh, Twelfth, Thirteenth, Fourteenth, Fifteenth, Sixteenth, Seventeenth, Eighteenth, Nineteenth, Twentieth, Twenty-first, Twenty-second and Twenty-third Wards, asking to excuse the absence of teachers, &c.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power conferred by the by-laws.

From the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, to pay John Rowland for watching school premises of Primary School No. 7.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Tenth Ward, transmitting the resignation of George Hey as School Trustee of said ward.

Referred to the Committee on Nomination of Trustees.

From the Trustees of the Tenth Ward, asking for additional heating capacity in the apparatus of G. S. No. 75.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking for an appropriation for altering the buildings in the rear of G. S. No. 37 for school purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking for an appropriation of \$350 for heating apparatus for the new classrooms in G. S. No. 68.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, to rehire premises in Parepa Hall for Branch G. S. No. 37.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, asking for alterations in yard accommodations of G. S. No. 56.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, asking for repairs to the hot-air furnace at G. S. No. 11.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

From the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, for plumbing, repairs, &c., G. S. No. 11.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for payment of the bill of McDonald & Kildruff, for paving at G. S. No. 77.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for the purchase of three lots in the rear of G. S. No. 59.

Referred to the Committee on Sites and New Schools.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, for an additional appropriation of \$500 for incidental repairs in G. S. Building No. 32.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

CITY SUPERINTENDENT.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the report of the City Superintendent on the transactions of the Truancy Department for the month of February, as follows :

CITY SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, }
NEW YORK, *March 4, 1885.* }

To the Honorable the Board of Education :

GENTLEMEN—In compliance with law, I submit the following report of the transactions of the Truancy Department for the month of February last.

The whole number of visits made was 3,250 ; and of this number 1,076 cases were investigated and closed.

Of the cases closed, 178 reported as truants, and 130 as non-attendants, were placed in school.

A detailed statement of the month's work will be found appended.

Very respectfully,

JOHN JASPER,

City Superintendent.

SCHEDULE.

Total number of visits made.....	3,250
To homes.....	1377
To schools.....	762
To stores and factories.....	1111
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Total.....	3,250

Total number of cases investigated and closed.....	1,076
Children kept at home by parents..	222
' " " sickness	216
" " " poverty.....	28
" taught at home.....	0
" physically or mentally disqualified.....	7
" transferred from one school to another...	70
" under 8 and over 14 years of age.....	27
" withdrawn from school	} left the city.... 4 gone to work... 10
" whose residence could not be found.....	
Truants returned to school.....	178
" committed to Reformatory Institutions by parents through agent.....	1
Non-attendants and placed in school.....	130
" committed to Reformatory Institu- tions by parents through agent....	1
" committed to New York Juvenile Asylum.....	2
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Total.....	1,076

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Board of Health, with reference to the inspection of certain school buildings.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

From Alfred Roe, attorney, notice of entry of judgment and demand, &c., in the case of Ann McGregor against the Board of Education.

Ordered, That said notice be placed on file.

From Thomas Cockerill, a bill for extra work done in connection with contract for erecting addition to G. S. No. 33, in the Twentieth Ward, amounting to \$8,286.72.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From Joseph Frenzel, application for appointment as Teacher of Drawing.

Referred to the Committee on Normal College.

From A. A. Palmiter, agent for the Milwaukee Electric Co., relative to their new ventilating valve.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

RESOLUTIONS TO BE REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Commissioner BEARDSLEE offered the following :

Resolved, That application be made to the Legislature for the passage of the following act :

AN ACT to amend chapter four hundred and fifty-eight of the laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-four, entitled " An Act to provide additional accommodations for the Common Schools in the City of New York."

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows :

SECTION 1. Section two of chapter four hundred and fifty-eight of the laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-four, entitled " An Act to provide additional accommodations

for the Common Schools in the City of New York," is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

§ 2. Said bonds shall be issued from time to time during said years eighteen hundred and eighty-four, eighteen hundred and eighty-five and eighteen hundred and eighty-six, as they may be required by said Board of Education, shall run for such term or terms of years as the said Comptroller shall direct, but not longer than twenty years, and shall draw interest at not more than three and one half per cent. per annum.

SECTION 2. Section four of said chapter is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

§ 4. The proceeds of said bonds, when received, shall forthwith be deemed appropriated for the purchase of new school sites, for the erection of new school buildings, and additions to present school buildings, and for fitting up and furnishing the same for the use of the Common Schools of the said City of New York, and shall be thereafter disbursed by the Comptroller of the City of New York, in payment of the liabilities incurred by the said Board of Education for the purposes aforesaid, upon the requisition of said Board, and in the same manner as other moneys appropriated for the maintenance of the Common Schools in said city are usually paid out.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner SELIGMAN offered the following :

In view of the statement made in the Mayor's message of last month, that during 1884 nearly eight thousand children were unable to gain admission to our public schools, because of lack of room, and in view of the fact that our daily increasing population makes the building of more schools at an early day a necessity :

Resolved, That a Committee of Three be appointed for the purpose of conferring with Mayor GRACE, as to the most advisable and expeditious manner of acquiring funds for the construction of new buildings ; and that said Committee be requested to make a written report at its earliest opportunity, as to what action, if any, the Board of Education ought to take to bring about the desired result.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT appointed Commissioners SELIGMAN, DEVOE and BEARDSLEE, as said Committee.

REPORTS LAID OVER UNDER THE RULE.

The PRESIDENT announced for consideration the report of the Committee on Teachers, to excuse the absence of teachers, &c., with full pay, Journal, pp. 137-139.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Vermilye and Wood—13.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, to pay Miss Annie McVey, Principal of P. S. No. 3, and Miss Wilhelmina M. Bonesteel, Principal of P. D. G. S. No. 53, the maximum salary for fourteen years' service, Journal, pp. 139, 140.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Vermilye and Wood—13.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Auditing Com-

mittee, recommending the payment of the bill of Dr. John Gleises, for professional services rendered at P. S. No. 35, Journal, pp. 140, 141.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Buildings, to pay for services of Mrs. Catherine Hughes, as Janitrix at G. S. No. 80, and G. S. No. 67, in 1884, amounting to \$222.40, Journal, pp. 143, 144.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, adverse to paying for the alleged services of a Janitor at G. S. No. 78, for September, October and November, 1884, Journal, pp. 145.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, recommending that John McCusker be paid for services as Janitor, from December 1st to 17th, at Branch G. S. No. 78, \$18.13, Journal, p. 147.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Vermilye and Wood—13.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Nomination of Trustees, recommending the appointment of George E. Hoe for Trustee of Common Schools in the Sixteenth Ward, vice Walter H. Mead, resigned, Journal, p. 150.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Vermilye and Wood—13.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Normal College, relative to the standard for the admission of pupils, &c., Journal, pp. 152-154.

On motion of Commissioner CRAWFORD—

Laid over and to retain its place on the schedule.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Finance Committee, on the ability of the Board to pay the bill of Walter Powers, for shoring up the walls of the building No. 174 Mulberry street, in 1884, Journal, p. 154, amount \$102.85.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Buildings, Journal, p. 154, in connection with this report of the Finance Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Vermilye and Wood—13.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Finance Committee, appropriating \$2,890 for iron stairways at P. D. G. S. No. 60, Journal, pp. 154, 155.

On motion of Commissioner CRAWFORD—

Laid over and to retain its place on the schedule.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Finance Committee, on the ability to pay the bill of J. W. Jones, for \$127.22, for extra work on G. S. No. 26, under his contract, Journal, pp. 155, 156.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Buildings, Journal, p. 96, in connection with this report of the Finance Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Vermilye and Wood—13.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, adverse to the appointment of a general assistant in G. S. No. 9, Journal, p. 157.

Adopted.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, stating, that on December 30, 1884, Journal, p. 1033, the Board authorized the Committee to employ a sufficient number of draughtsmen to prepare promptly the plans for buildings authorized by this Board, such service to continue not beyond February 28, 1885, and at an expense not to exceed \$75 per week.

The Committee, upon investigation, found that the services of at least two of these draughtsmen would be required beyond February 28th to complete the plans and drawings which had been authorized, and therefore empowered the Superintendent of School Buildings to continue the service of two of them from February 28th to not later than May 1st, at an expense not to exceed \$40 per week. The Committee respectfully ask the Board to confirm their action in this matter by the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the action of the Committee on Buildings in employing the services of two assistant draughtsmen to complete the work of preparing plans for buildings authorized by this Board, from February 28th, for such length of time as may be necessary, not later than May 1, 1885, at a total expense not to exceed forty dollars (\$40) per week, to be paid from the incidental expenses of the Board of Education, be and the same is hereby approved, and such appointments authorized.

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
G. SCHWAB,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		

Commissioner DEVOE asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WOOD presented a report from the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, in compliance with the resolution of Commissioner Devoe, adopted February 4, 1885 (Journal, p. 111)—

“ *Resolved*, That the Committee on Course of Study be requested to examine the question as to the advisability of adding a grade to the present course of instruction for primary pupils specially adapted to children under six years of age, and to report thereon to this Board ”—

—stating, that the advocate of the proposed change was heard before the Committee, but was unable to present any new plan or suggest any definite modification of the present by-law to carry such views into effect. The Primary Schools are now well graded, the course of study being arranged to meet the requirements as to age and condition of children taught therein, and is producing satisfactory results. The Committee in their deliberations had the benefit of the knowledge and advice of the City Superintendent, and, from statements made by him, and in accordance with their own judgment, they cannot conclude otherwise than that the present course of instruction is quite sufficient to meet all the requirements of those who partake of its advantages.

It is, therefore, recommended that it is unadvisable to alter the present course of instruction, as prescribed in the Manual, by adding thereto an additional primary grade.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the Committee on Course of Study, &c., be discharged from the further consideration of the subject of adding a grade to the primary course of instruction at the present time specially adapted to children under six years of age.

WILLIAM WOOD,	}	Committee on Course of Study, &c.
EDWARD J. H. TAMSEN,		
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		

Laid over under *the rule*.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the application from Miss Elizabeth A. Pope, Principal of Female Department Grammar School No. 3, to be paid the maximum salary ; stating, that Miss Pope was nominated by the Trustees of the Ninth Ward for such position on February 8, 1871, and confirmed by the Board of Education February 23, 1871, her appointment taking effect from February 1, 1871. Her record for "management" has been "excellent" for the past five years.

The Committee recommend that the application be granted, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That Miss Elizabeth A. Pope, Principal of Female Department of Grammar School No. 3, be paid the salary prescribed for Principals of Female Departments of fourteen years' standing, in section 35, subdivision 4, of the By-Laws, she having completed her fourteenth year of service on the 1st of February last, and her record for management for the past five years being "excellent."

EUGENE H. POMEROY,	} Committee on Teachers.
WILLIAM WOOD,	
STEPHEN A. WALKER,	
For presentation,	

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom were referred applications from the Trustees of the Seventh and Twenty-fourth Wards, to excuse the absence of teachers, with full pay ; stating, that the cause of absence in each case reported herein is personal illness.

A statement is submitted, showing the record of each applicant for the past five years.

The Committee recommend that the absences be excused, with full pay, for the time stated in the column "Time allowed," in the following resolution, which is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the following-named teachers be excused for absence, with full pay, for the "time allowed" herein :

Ward.	School.	Name.	Time Allowed.	Years of Service.	Instruction.	Discipline.	No. Days Lost.	Exc. with full pay.
7th.	P. S. 36.	Catharine F. Cummings.	12 d. Feb.....	20	{.....Good.1 y. Good.....Ex....4 y.}		52	36 d.
24th.	G. S. 61.	Frances L. Van Tine...	2 d. Jan.....	15	Ex.....,Ex.....		14	3 d.
	G. S. 65.	James Buckhout.....	2 d. Jan.....	14	{.....Management. Good....1 y.Ex....4 y.}		20	.....

EUGENE H. POMEROY,
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,
WILLIAM WOOD,

} Committee
on
Teachers.

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, in the matter of the appeal of Miss Rachel S. Gorlitz ; stating, that Miss Gorlitz, who is at present a teacher in Primary Department of Grammar School No. 25, appeals from the action of the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, taken on or about January 1, 1883, in transferring her from the position of Seventh Assistant in Public School No. 22 to that of Twelfth Assistant in the same school, no notice of the cause of such removal having been served upon her.

It appears that the Trustees, in preparing the schedule of salaries to be paid the Teachers in Public School No. 22 for 1883, assigned Miss Gorlitz to the position of Twelfth Assistant instead of that of Seventh Assistant, held by her in 1882, which they had the right to do under the provisions of section 33, subdivision 8, of the By-Laws.

A teacher may be removed or transferred without the cause for such action being assigned, and the teacher so transferred or removed has the right to appeal within ten days for reinstatement to the position from which she was removed. In this case, Miss Gorlitz did not appeal within the ten days, more than two years having elapsed since the transfer was made, and therefore she has no right of appeal as contemplated in the law above referred to.

The Committee, in view of these facts, recommend that the appeal be dismissed, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the appeal of Miss Rachel S. Gorlitz, from the action of the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, in Janu-

ary, 1883, in transferring her from the position of Seventh Assistant in Primary School No. 22 to that of Twelfth Assistant in the same school, be and the same is hereby dismissed.

EUGENE H. POMEROY,	} <i>Committee</i>
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	
To secure presentation,	
WILLIAM WOOD,	
	<i>on</i>
	<i>Teachers.</i>

Commissioner POMEROY asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the First Ward, for permission to file a new schedule of salaries for the teachers in Primary Department G. S. No. 29 ; stating, that the Trustees, in accordance with section 33, subdivision 5 of the By-Laws, filed the schedule of salaries for P. D. G. S. No. 29 for 1884, and now ask for authority to file a new schedule.

It is the uniform rule of the Board not to change a schedule after it has once been filed, and the Committee therefore recommend that the application be denied.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the application of the Trustees of the First Ward for permission to file a new schedule of salaries for the Teachers of Primary Department Grammar School No. 29, be, and the same is hereby denied.

EUGENE H. POMEROY,	} <i>Committee</i>
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	
WILLIAM WOOD,	
	<i>on</i>
	<i>Teachers.</i>

Commissioner POMEROY asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Tenth Ward, asking that Miss Hattie A. Denniston be paid for services as Acting Principal of Primary Department No. 83, from January 1 to 21, 1885 ; stating, that Miss Denniston, on January 14, was nominated by the Trustees for the position of Principal, and was confirmed by this Board at its meeting held January 21, to take effect from the commencement of service, subsequent to the passage of the resolution appointing her to the position.

Miss Denniston, therefore, has no claim to the salary of the position prior to January 21, and the Committee recommend that the application be denied, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the application from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, to pay Miss Hattie A. Denniston for services as Acting Principal of Primary Department Grammar School No. 83, from January 1 to January 21, 1885, be and the same is hereby denied.

EUGENE H. POMEROY,	} Committee	
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		on
WILLIAM WOOD,		Teachers.

Commissioner POMEROY asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner SCHWAB presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation ; stating, that in a communication of the Comptroller, dated Jan. 13, and referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, Jan. 21, he calls the attention of the Board to the fact that a bill of John Neal & Co., for extra work under contract for heating Grammar School building No. 34, amounting to \$100, which had been forwarded to the Department duly certified by the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, had, by a later communication made by order of the

Committee, been recalled on the ground that pursuant to a compromise entered into by this Committee, John Neal & Co. had waived the payment of that claim. While returning said voucher the Comptroller states that he does not feel authorized to audit claims upon the basis of such compromise without satisfactory information concerning the items overcharged in the bills which are affected by said compromise.

With reference to this item the Committee represent that in examining various bills for repairs done by John Neal & Co., during vacation of 1884, amounting in all to \$3,401.26, and forwarded to the Comptroller on the 27th of December, 1884, they felt obliged to take exception to being charged full line prices for various materials furnished, on which prices large discounts are known to be allowed by the wholesale dealers from whom they are obtained. After protracted consideration of the matter, and various hearings granted to John Neal & Co., the committee came to the conclusion that no specific discount on the line prices charged for small quantities of material used in such work could be fixed upon as just and equitable, but that the former Engineer of the Board had not exercised proper care in auditing the bills in question with reference to the prices charged for materials, and that some deduction should be submitted to by John Neal & Co., for which the waiver of the claim of \$100 for extra work done under the contract for heating Grammar School No. 34, was finally settled and agreed upon as an equitable compromise.

The committee are of opinion that by agreeing to such settlement the interests of the City have been protected as much as was possible under the circumstances, and recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Clerk of the Board be directed to reply to the portion of the Comptroller's communication referring to the recalling of John Neal & Co.'s claim for \$100, by stating the facts of the case as above reported.

GUSTAV SCHWAB,	}	<i>Committee on Warming and Ventilation.</i>
R. M. GALLAWAY,		
F. W. DEVOE,		

Commissioner SCHWAB asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Sites and New Schools, to whom was referred the communication from P. W. Felix, with reference to the action of the Board in reconsidering the purchase of the site corner of One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street and Sixth avenue, in the Twelfth Ward; stating, that on November 5, 1884 (Journal, pp. 833, 834), the Board authorized the purchase of this site for the sum of \$40,000.

Subsequent to this action, and before the title to the property had been transferred to the city, statements were made to the Committee that led them to believe that the property could be purchased for a less sum than the amount named, and by direction of the Committee, the Chairman, on December 3, 1884 (Journal, pp. 928, 929), moved a reconsideration of the vote by which the site was authorized to be purchased, which motion was adopted, and the report laid on the table.

The Committee have examined into the facts of the case, and have heard the statements of all parties interested in the sale. The site is now offered to the Board for the sum of \$39,000, and as this property is very desirably located for school purposes, the Committee recommend its purchase at that price, and submit the following resolutions for adoption :

1. *Resolved*, That the report of the Committee on Sites and New Schools, found in Journal, 1884 (pp. 808 and 809), authorizing the purchase of the property on the corner of One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street and Sixth avenue for the sum of \$40,000, and the report of the Finance Committee on the same subject (Journal, 1884, p. 817), which were reconsidered and laid on the table December 3 (Journal, 1884, pp. 928, 929), be taken from the table.
2. *Resolved*, That the resolution be amended to read as follows :

“That the sum of thirty-nine thousand dollars (\$39,000) be and the same is hereby appropriated, twenty-one thousand eight hundred dollars (\$21,800) from the proceeds of the sale of property in Sixty-first street in 1882, in the Twenty-second Ward, and seventeen thousand two hundred dollars (\$17,200) from the fund derived from the sale of school-house bonds, for the purchase of six lots of ground situated at the northwest corner of One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street and Sixth avenue, said lots being 150 feet front on One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street, by 150 feet in the rear, and 99 feet 11 inches deep on Sixth avenue and the west side, and the Comptroller of the City of New York is hereby authorized to pay the sum of twenty-one thousand eight hundred dollars (\$21,800) from the proceeds of the sale of lots in Sixty-first street, in the Twenty-second Ward, in 1882, and the sum of seventeen thousand two hundred dollars (\$17,200) from the fund derived from the sale of school-house bonds. The said sum being in all thirty-nine thousand dollars (\$39,000), for the premises named, to be used for school purposes, upon the presentation to him of the deed for the same, together with the certificate of the Counsel to the Corporation that the title thereto is satisfactory and free from all incumbrances, and is vested in the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.”

3. *Resolved*, That the resolution as amended be adopted.

EUGENE H. POMEROY,	}	<i>Committee on Sites and New Schools.</i>
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		
G. SCHWAB,		
CHAS. L. HOLT,		

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Sites and New Schools, to whom were referred applications from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward to purchase sites as follows :

East side, Lexington avenue, Ninety-fifth to Ninety-sixth street.	\$67,000
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West side, Lexington avenue, Ninety-fifth to Ninety-sixth street	\$72,000
South side, Ninety-fifth street, 100 feet east of Fourth avenue	54,000

stating, that the Board having recently authorized the purchase of a site on the southeast corner of Ninety-sixth street and Lexington avenue, there is no need for further action on these proposed sites.

The Committee ask to be discharged from the further consideration of said applications, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the Committee on Sites, &c., be discharged from the further consideration of the applications from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward to purchase the following described sites :

East side Lexington avenue, 95th to 96th street.	\$67,000
West " " " " " "	72,000
South " 95th street, 100 feet east of Fourth avenue	54,000

EUGENE H. POMEROY,	}	<i>Committee on Sites and New Schools.</i>
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		
G. SCHWAB,		
CHAS. L. HOLT,		

Commissioner POMEROY asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner VERMIYLE presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, to whom were referred applications from Trustees of the Twelfth and Seventeenth Wards for new pianos for Primary Schools 30 and 26, respectively ; stating, that the pianos in these schools are worn out and unfit for use. The Committee have considered the propriety of having these pianos repaired, but the expense would be so great that it is a matter of economy to purchase new ones.

The Committee recommend that new ones be purchased at an expense not to exceed \$300 each, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the Committee on School Furniture be and they hereby are, authorized to purchase a new piano for Primary Schools Nos. 30 and 26, in the Twelfth and Seventeenth Wards, respectively, at an expense not to exceed \$300 each. Any old pianos to be used in the discretion of the Committee in part payment. The bills for the same to be paid on the approval of said Committee.

J. D. VERMILYE,	}	<i>Committee on School Furniture.</i>
CHAS. L. HOLT,		
EDWARD J. H. TAMSEN,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom were referred the reports of the Committee on Buildings, in relation to bills incurred for shoring the walls of Grammar School buildings No. 7, in the Tenth Ward, and No. 8 in the Eighth Ward, necessarily incurred by the erection of buildings adjoining these structures ; stating, that the Board has the financial ability to appropriate the sums required to defray these bills as an incidental expense of the Board, from the general fund apportioned for 1884 from the balances of appropriations made that year, not required for the purposes for which they were made. The amounts are for bill of D. & E. Herbert, for the work at Grammar School No. 7, \$349.39, per report of the Committee on Buildings, on pages 142 and 143 of the Journal ; and for bill of Isaac A. Hopper, for work on Grammar School No 8, \$261.00, per report of the Committee on Buildings, on pages 92 and 93 of the Journal.

J. D. VERMILYE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
ISAAC BELL,		
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		
DE WITT J. SELIGMAN,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Buildings, recommending the payment of the bill of Thomas Lyons for extra work done under his contract for fitting up the premises No. 626 Washington street, amounting to the sum of one hundred and six $\frac{4}{100}$ dollars (\$106.42) ; stating, that the contract, in connection with which this work was done, was executed on the 6th of December last, with the stipulation that the work should be finished by the 3rd of January. As it was finished to the satisfaction of the Trustees, the Committee consider this claim as belonging properly to the expenditure of last year, and as the Board has the financial ability to appropriate the sum named from the Reserve Fund of eighteen hundred and eighty-four (1884), they recommend that authority be given to pay it from that fund. The report of the Committee on Buildings is on page 144 of the Journal.

J. D. VERMILYE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
ISAAC BELL,		
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		
DE WITT J. SELIGMAN,		

Laid over under the rule.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Commissioner Wood—

The Board adjourned.

LAWRENCE D. KIERNAN,
Clerk.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18, 1885.

STATED SESSION.

Present—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners BEARDSLEE, BELL, CRAWFORD, DEVOE, GALLAWAY, HOLT, POMEROY, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, SIMMONS, TAMSEN, VERMILYE, WELCH and WOOD—15.

Absent—Commissioners IVINS, KELLY, PERKINS, SCHMITT, WALLACE and WETMORE—6.

On motion, Commissioners PERKINS, WETMORE, KELLY and IVINS were excused for absence from this meeting of the Board.

The PRESIDENT announced for consideration the minutes of the last session, and put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the session held on March 4th, as printed in the Journal, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners BEARDSLEE, BELL, CRAWFORD, DEVOE, GALLAWAY, HOLT, POMEROY, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, SIMMONS, TAMSEN, VERMILYE, WELCH and WOOD—15.

COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Trustees of the Third, Fourth, Sixth, Seventeenth, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, to excuse the absence of teachers.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power conferred by the by-laws.

From the Trustees of the Fourth Ward, awarding the contract for desks and seats for two rooms in P. D. G. S. No. 1 to A. H. Andrews & Co., for the sum of \$320, and asking for an appropriation for said purpose.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, to rehire the premises 32 City Hall place and No. 101 Bayard street, occupied by Grammar School No. 23 and Primary School No. 2, respectively.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, to hire the premises Nos. 114 and 116 Cannon street, to relieve the crowded condition of P. D. No. 22 and P. S. No. 3, and for authority to advertise for proposals to alter and fit up the same.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, for a new piano for Grammar Department G. S. No. 54.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, to pay John Paton, Janitor of G. S. No. 78, a sum not exceeding \$90, for services in taking care of premises of Branch of G. S. No. 78 during September, October and November, 1884.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, to establish a Mixed (Senior and Junior) Evening School in Grammar School No. 19.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, to purchase the premises No. 123 East Fifty-first street, adjoining G. S. No. 18.

Referred to the Committee on Sites and New Schools.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for the

payment of the bill of R. Delaney, \$2, for carting books, &c., from G. S. No. 59 to G. S. No. 76.

Referred to the Auditing Committee.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, to pay James Reynolds the sum of \$55.11, for cleaning the new addition to Grammar School No. 33.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, making award of contracts for altering, fitting up and furnishing premises in One Hundred and Forty-fourth street, for use of Grammar Department G. S. No. 60, as follows :

Altering, etc., to Edward Gustaveson.....\$975

Furniture, Part II., to A. H. Andrews & Co..... 445

and asking an appropriation of \$1,420 for said purposes.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

CITY SUPERINTENDENT.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the report of the City Superintendent for the month of February, as follows :

CITY SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, }
NEW YORK, *March 18, 1885.* }

To the Honorable the Board of Education :

GENTLEMEN—In compliance with law, I respectfully submit the following report of the operations of the City Superintendent's Department for the month of February last.

During that time the following-named schools were carefully examined:

Grammar Schools Nos. 14, 23, 24, 31, 48, 54, 56, 68, 80, 81; Primary Schools Nos. 2, 8, 28, and Male Department of No. 67; a total of 25 schools and 258 classes.

Of this latter number 204 were reported *excellent* in instruction, 51 *good* and 3 *fair*.

In discipline, of the 274 classes either examined or inspected, all, except 16, were found to be *excellent*.

In management, 21 schools were reported *excellent*, 3 *good* and 1 *fair*.

In accordance with the by-laws, I hereby report for inefficiency, Mr. Hubert H. Daly, Special Teacher of Music of Grammar Department No. 54, and Mrs. Elizabeth J. Graham, Second Assistant of Grammar Department No. 80, they having received *fair* instruction for two consecutive years.

The term of the Evening Schools commencing on the 6th day of October last, closed on the twenty-sixth day of February.

The average attendance for the term was 7,065. The average attendance of foreigners studying English was 2,221.

The twenty-seven schools were examined by the Assistant Superintendents, and the returns show that satisfactory progress was made.

In management, 23 schools were found to be *excellent* and 4 *good*.

In character of instruction, 179 classes were marked *excellent*, 45 *good*, 4 *fair* and 1 *bad*.

In discipline, 214 classes were reported *excellent*, 12 *good*, 2 *fair* and 1 *bad*.

Appended to this report will be found detailed statistics in relation to these schools.

The total enrollment in the Grammar Schools and Primary Departments and Primary Schools for the month ending on the twenty-eighth day of February, was 142,023 pupils, and the average attendance for the month was 129,317; an increase of 2,507 in the former, and 1,279 in the latter, as compared with the returns for February of the previous year.

The number of days lost by absence of teachers during the month was 2,210; a decrease of 209 when compared with the corresponding period in 1884.

An inspection of the returns in the Superintendent's office shows that the whole number of days lost by absence of teachers during 1884 was 21,388; a decrease of 2,302, when compared with the returns of the preceding year.

The time lost during 1883 was 4.1 per cent. of the total time, and during 1884 was 3.7 per cent.

Annexed will be found a table giving full information in relation to this subject.

A list of teachers in whose classes the absenteeism for the month was more than 20 per cent. is added to this report.

Very respectfully,

JOHN JASPER,

City Superintendent.

EVENING SCHOOL STATISTICS, 1884—1885.

	Male Senior.	Female Senior.	Male Junior.	Female Junior.	Mixed.	Total.
Whole number of Pupils on Register.....	4,817	1,152	9,534	4,096	632	19,731
Number over 18 and under 16.....	.....	.....	4,769	2,714	251	7,734
Number over 16 and under 18.....	1,364	621	1,875	945	158	4,963
Number over 18 and under 21.....	1,245	254	924	258	52	2,733
Number over 21.....	1,708	277	1,966	179	171	4,801
Largest number in attendance at any one time.....	2,424	761	4,717	2,379	411	10,692
Average attendance for the term.....	1,496	562	2,925	1,793	289	7,065
Number that attended less than one month.....	1,527	236	3,214	1,048	123	6,148
Number that attended the full term...	1,096	699	2,284	1,677	258	6,014
Number who have received certificates this term.....	1,740	348	1,532	990	170	4,780
Number admitted that could not read.	871	127	994	500	71	2,563
Number admitted that could not write.....	73	159	610	571	100	1,513
Number admitted that had previously attended Grammar Schools.....	1,981	488	3,331	1,796	232	7,828
Number admitted that had previously attended Primary Schools.....	390	278	1,253	728	76	2,725
Number of Pupils suspended or discharged for misconduct.....	18	.....	143	2	.....	163
Number of German pupils studying English.....	1,757	168	1,892	407	127	4,351
Number of other foreign pupils studying English.....	93	135	1,898	146	5	2,277
Number of pupils studying Reading..	1,678	547	.....	.....	.....	2,225
Number of pupils studying Arithmetic.....	1,696	338	.....	.....	.....	2,034
Number of pupils studying Composition.....	131	178	.....	.....	.....	309
Number of pupils studying Penmanship.....	1,378	763	.....	.....	.....	2,141
Number of pupils studying Book-keeping.....	621	111	.....	.....	.....	732
Average attendance of foreigners studying English.....	644	86	1,136	295	60	2,221

Table showing the absences of Teachers, by Wards, for 1883 and 1884, and the increase or decrease as the case may be, together with percentages of time lost.

WARD.	ABSENCES OF TEACHERS.		INCREASE.	DECREASE.	PER CENT.	
	1883.	1884.			1883.	1884.
1st.....	874	885	11	....	6.8	7.0
2d.....	47	84½	.....	12½	6.0	4.2
3d.....	25½	46	20½	.....	3.2	5.7
4th.....	464	344	.....	120	5.2	3.8
5th.....	442½	269	.....	173½	4.9	2.9
6th.....	569	554	.....	15	4.8	4.6
7th.....	1,257	1,581½	324½	.....	6.1	7.6
8th.....	806½	276	.....	30½	2.2	2.0
9th.....	617	605½	.....	11½	2.1	2.0
10th.....	1,372½	1,455½	83	.....	3.7	3.8
11th.....	1,929	1,621	.....	808	5.0	4.1
12th.....	3,569	2,778	.....	791	5.4	3.8
13th.....	886	730½	.....	155½	3.4	2.7
14th.....	788½	495	.....	293½	8.0	4.9
15th.....	650	679½	29½	.....	3.5	3.7
16th.....	652	597½	.....	54½	2.7	2.4
17th.....	2,124	1,705½	.....	418½	5.1	4.0
18th.....	499½	437½	.....	62	2.8	2.4
19th.....	2,237½	2,289	51½	.....	3.5	3.2
20th.....	724½	1,157	432½	.....	2.8	3.5
21st.....	1,150	833½	.....	316½	4.1	2.9
22d.....	2,015	1,602	.....	413	3.8	2.5
23d.....	619½	478	.....	141½	3.2	2.3
24th.....	370½	433	62½	.....	3.2	3.6
Total...	23,690	21,388	1,015	3,317	4.1	3.7

List of Teachers in whose classes the absenteeism was in excess of twenty per cent. during the month of February, 1885.

School.	Name of Teacher.	Per Cent.	School.	Name of Teacher.	Per Cent.
M. D.	9. N. L. Hogan.....	21	P. D.	41. E. F. Carter.....	21
"	9. C. M. Chase.....	23	"	41. A. Smith	26
"	46. K. F. Donovan.....	21	"	43. M. McMartin	25
"	52. L. S. Brown	26	"	47. E. Handte.....	28
F. D.	46. N. E. McGregor. ...	33	"	48. V. Schweizer.....	21
P. D.	2. K. McLean.....	22	"	50. E. Schwally.....	25
"	2. J. McClean.....	23	"	50. A. E. Thorne.....	
"	11. M. E. McDonald.....	23	"	63. A. M. Callan.....	22
"	12. J. Costello.....	27	"	63. I. F. Feehan	27
"	12. F. Adler.....	23	"	63. S. B. Webb.....	25
"	17. A. McCann... ..	21	"	65. E. Cochrane.....	33
"	17. E. Crawford.....	22	"	69. E. Edwards.....	21
"	19. M. Brophy.....	25	P. S.	5. L. Warner.....	28
"	26. M. Armstrong.....	23	"	5. K. Enright.....	25
"	29. K. Corbett.....	23	"	7. J. Emmons.	27
"	30. M. C. Evans.....	22	"	16. R. H. Daly.....	21
"	30. M. E. Brady.....	24	"	22. M. F. Cunningham...	25
"	33. E. L. Schlott.....	24	"	27. A. A. Dimoud	24
"	35. M. A. Fisher	24	"	29. L. J. Snell	21
"	35. I. Westendorf.....	34	"	34. H. Fitzgerald.....	21
"	39. E. L. Pratt	21	"	42. B. Stadeker.....	22
"	39. M. J. Blair	23	"	45. M. C. Tarbox.....	21
"	39. F. L. Hamlin	30	"	46. E. Murray.....	22
"	40. F. S. Smith.....	23	"	47. M. Clary.....	24
"	40. K. G. Lee.....	26	"	47. K. E. Norton.....	25

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

The case of the two teachers reported for inefficiency, was referred to the Committee on Teachers.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Counsel to the Corporation, relative to a defect in the title to property in Spuyten Duyvil, recently authorized to be purchased for school purposes, as follows :

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION, }
NEW YORK, *March 4, 1885.*

LAWRENCE D. KIERNAN, Esq.,
Clerk of the Board of Education :

SIR—I am in receipt of your communication under date of March 3, 1885, in reference to the purchase of a piece of land at Spuyten Duyvil for school purposes, with a request that I give early attention to the question of the title.

I enclose copy of a letter sent yesterday to Mr. Coffin, who represents the owner of the property, which will explain itself.

The title is not, at present, in such a condition as will warrant me in passing it.

I remain,

Very truly yours, &c.,

E. HENRY LACOMBE,

Counsel to the Corporation.

(Copy.)

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION, }
NEW YORK, *March 3, 1885.*

EDMUND COFFIN, Esq. :

SIR—I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 28th of February last, relative to the agreement made by your client, Mr. A. E. Putnam, with the School Commissioners to sell to the city a piece of land at Spuyten Duyvil for a school house, in which you state, that this office seems to be unable to determine as to the validity of the title, and that your client has instructed you to say that unless the deed of the premises is accepted on or before the 7th of this month and the consideration paid, he will consider the matter abandoned, and will not, after that date, consummate the proposed sale on the terms named.

The resolution of the Board of Education authorizing the purchase of this site, directs the Comptroller to pay the purchase price "upon the presentation to him of the deed for the same, together with the certificate of the Counsel to the Corporation that the title thereto is *satisfactory* and free from all incumbrances, and is vested in the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York."

The title to these premises is *not* "*satisfactory*" to me, for the following reason :

In March, 1856, Johnson and Cox, being seized of a large tract of land at Spuyten Duyvil, of which the premises in question are a portion, for the consideration of \$10,000, conveyed an undivided one-sixteenth part thereof to James C. Sidney. In December, 1856, Mr. Sidney reconveyed to Johnson and Cox the same undivided interest, by a deed recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Westchester County, on the 13th of that month, in Liber 347 of Deeds, page 28.

From the record this deed appears to have been witnessed and acknowledged, but the certificate of acknowledgment appears to me to be fatally defective. The Commissioner of Deeds who took the acknowledgment did not certify that the persons who acknowledged were known or proved to him to be the same persons "*described in*" the deed. Nor does he use any equivalent expression. He certifies that on, &c., personally appeared before him, J. C. S. and E., his wife, "to me known, and known to me to be the parties who have signed this instrument opposite their seals, and who acknowledged," &c.

This acknowledgment is insufficient (*Fryer against Rockefeller*, 63 N. Y. R., 272). In reply to an inquiry made by my assistant, who has charge of this matter, Mr. Isaac G. Johnson has informed him that "he has looked in vain" for this deed.

If, then, the heirs of Mr. Sidney should bring suit for the recovery of their interest in these lands, where would the defense stand? The record of the deed from Mr. Sidney cannot be admitted in evidence, and the original cannot be found.

I have delayed reporting on this matter to the Board of Education, because I had hoped the defect might be cured, by

finding the heirs of Mr. Sidney and getting a release from them. Mr. Johnson has already been written to for information as to Mr. Sidney's antecedents, residence, &c., so that they might be discovered and communicated with. And I am, and at all times have been, willing to take the chief burden of the endeavor to cure this defect in the title to the Spuyten Duyvil property. But if after the receipt of this, your client still insists on refusing to consummate the sale, unless it be done before the 7th instant, I shall inform the Board of Education that the title is not satisfactory, and take no further steps in the matter.

Yours respectfully,

E. HENRY LACOMBE,

Counsel to the Corporation.

Ordered, That said communication be placed on file and entered in full in the minutes.

From Henry R. Beekman, resigning his office as Trustee for the Eighteenth Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Nomination of Trustees.

From the National Gas Saving Co., relative to attaching the "Sleeman Automatic Gas Saving Governors" to the schools.

Referred to the Auditing Committee.

From W. F. Hudson, President of the Teachers' Association, inviting the Board to attend a lecture to be delivered before said association on March 21st.

Ordered, That said invitation be accepted and placed on file.

From Patrick K. Horgan, resigning his office as Trustee of Common Schools for the Seventeenth Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Nomination of Trustees.

From John Keyser, relative to supplying the public school buildings with the "Champion Safety Window Sash Lock and Fastener."

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

FROM THE CLERK.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from the Clerk, submitting a statement of the changes in the *personnel* of the teachers since February 18, 1885, as follows :

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, }
NEW YORK, *March* 18, 1885. }

To the Honorable the Board of Education :

GENTLEMEN—As required by a resolution adopted December 7, 1881, I herewith submit a statement showing the changes in the *personnel* of the teachers in each school under the jurisdiction of the Board of Education since my last report, February 18th.

Respectfully submitted,

LAW. D. KIERNAN,

Clerk.

WARD.

1885.

- 4th. Teresa Muratori.....P. S. 12, appointed additional Feb. 1.
5th. Kate A. Ready.....F. D. 44, “ “ Feb. 3.
 Ellen T. Kelly.....P. D. 44, transfer from F. D. 44, “
7th. Maggie E. Coghlan.....M. D. 2, appointed additional Feb. 14.
 Mary F. McMahon.....P. D. 2, resigned Feb. 14.
 Kate M. O'Neil.....M. D. 12, “ “
 Ellie H. G. Gleeson.....M. D. 12, appointed “
 Bridget D. Sweeney.....M. D. 12, “ Feb 24.
 Lizzie McCarthy.....P. D. 31, transfer from P. D. 12, Feb. 14.
 Julia L. Costello.....P. D. 12, appointed additional “
 Kate A. TuteP. D. 31, resigned Feb. 14.
8th. Margaret K. White.....F. D. 38, transfer from P. D. 38, Feb. 1.
 Ada L. Becker.....P. D. 38, appointed Feb. 1.
9th. Jennie M. Schoonmaker...F. D. 3, resigned “
 Margaret M. Dean.....F. D. 3, transfer from P. S. 13, Feb. 10.
 Millie E. Law.....P. S. 13, appointed Feb. 10.
10th. Beulah Van Wie.....F. D. 42, resigned Feb. 1.
 Mary A. Spencer.....F. D. 42, transfer from P. D. 42, Feb. 1.
 Isabel Strauss.....P. D. 42, appointed Feb. 1.
12th. Adela Cohen.....P. D. 88, transfer from P. D. 78, Feb. 1.
 Annie Spence.....P. D. 88, “ “ P. S. 42, “
15th. Louisa S. Brady.....P. D. 35, resigned Feb. 1.
 Isabel G. Westendorf.....P. D. 35, transfer from M. D. 35, Feb. 1.

WARD.

- William L. Felter.....M. D. 35, resigned Feb. 1.
 John E. Brown.....M. D. 35, appointed "
 Jennie M. Schoonmaker...M. D. 35, " "
 16th. Minnie E. Adams.....G. D. 11, appointed additional Feb. 7.
 Helena Maccabe.....G. D. 56, appointed Jan. 1.
 18th. Eugenia A. Wagner.....G. D. 40, resigned Feb. 18.
 Margaret E. Coghlan.....G. D. 40, appointed "
 Annie F. Thorne.....P. D. 50, " additional Feb. 13.
 Sarah L. Molloy.....P. S. 29, " " "
 Margaret E. CoghlanG. D. 40, resigned Feb. 18.
 Alice JacksonG. D. 40, appointed March 2.
 19th. Matilda B. Lemlein.....F. D. 77, transfer from F. D. 78, Feb. 1.
 Mary Abbott.....F. D. 78, appointed Feb. 1.
 Matilda Freit.....P. D. 74, " "
 Patrick B. O'Meara... ..M. D. 74, " Feb. 18.
 Isabel W. Smith.....F. D. 77, " Feb. 1.
 Mary J. Lawler.....F. D. 77, resigned Feb. 17.
 Josephine LinihanF. D. 77, appointed "
 Kate Burlinson.....P. D. 27, " "
 Edith Jacobs.....P. D. 27, " additional Feb. 17.
 20th. Emma A. Batterman.....G. D. 32, " " Feb. 12.
 22d. Emma Edwards.....P. D. 69, transfer from P. D. 58, Feb. 1.
 Beulah Van Wie.....P. D. 58, appointed Feb. 1.
 Nellie Hogan.. ..M. D. 9, " Jan. 5.
 Beulah Van Wie.....F. D. 17, transfer from P. D. 58, Feb. 11.
 Frances J. Scarlett.....F. D. 17, deceased Jan. 13.
 Frank A. Schmidtt.....M. D. 51, appointed Feb. 1.
 Amelia Radley.....P. D. 58, " Feb. 11.
 Charlotte A. Wetherbee...P. D. 67, " "

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes.

The PRESIDENT presented a notice of a suit of Miss Rachel S. Gorlitz, in the Court of Common Pleas, to compel the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward to restore her to the position of seventh assistant in P. S. No. 22.

Referred to the Counsel to the Corporation.

RESOLUTIONS TO BE REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Commissioner CRAWFORD offered the following resolution :
Resolved, That section 33, subdivision 9, of the By-Laws be

amended by adding after the word "entertained," in the third and fourth lines from the top of page 102 of the Manual of 1884, the following: "Where no additional expense is incurred by the Board of Education for the providing of a substitute teacher, the Committee on Teachers shall have power to excuse the absent teacher, with pay, less the amount paid to the substitute."

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

Commissioner BEARDSLEE offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Clerk of the Board be, and is hereby directed to prepare and have printed an official directory, giving the name and address of each Commissioner, Inspector and Trustee, the list of Committees of the Board, and officers and employees, with the names of Principals and location of schools, &c., for the year 1885, the cost of said printing not to exceed \$30.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT, at the request of Commissioner Schmitt, presented the following resolutions:

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee on Evening Schools to report to this Board on or before the third Wednesday of April next, the advisability of, and plan for establishing a Female Evening High School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

Resolved, That the Trustees of the various Wards nominate among the regular teachers for the Female Evening Schools, at least one teacher who possesses a certificate from the City Superintendent certifying to her competency to teach vocal music. The said Trustees, in their certificate or resolution of nomination, shall designate the person so qualified, and shall also assign her to perform the duty of teaching vocal music, as required by the by-laws of this Board.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

REPORTS LAID OVER UNDER THE RULE.

The PRESIDENT announced for consideration the report of the Committee on Normal College, relative to the standard for the admission of pupils, &c., Journal, pp. 152-154, 167.

Commissioner CRAWFORD moved to amend the resolution by adding, "after the second Monday of September, 1885, students shall not be admitted to the Normal College under fifteen years of age."

Commissioner POMEROY offered the following resolutions as a substitute for the resolution attached to the report of the Committee:

Resolved, That the minimum of seventy-five (75) per centum respecting admission to the Normal College, be abolished, and that hereafter candidates will be admitted only in the order of merit, until the number that can be accommodated is completed.

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee on Normal College to examine into and report the feasibility of carrying into effect the suggestion made by the President of the Normal College as to "an eclectic course of study for the Normal College," contained in his annual report for 1883.

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee on Course of Study to determine the advisability of rearranging the 1st, 2d, 3d and 4th Grammar Grades, so as to extend the time in which they are to be taught at least one year, and report to this Board.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would substitute the resolutions offered by Commissioner Pomeroy for the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Vermilye and Welch—11.

Nays—Commissioners Beardslee, Bell, Simmons and Wood—4.

Commissioner CRAWFORD moved to amend the first resolution by adding, "after the second Monday of September, 1885, students shall not be admitted to the Normal College under fifteen years of age."

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said amendment, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crawford, Devoe, Holt, Tamsen, Vermilye and Welch—6.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Bell, Gallaway, Pomeroy, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons and Wood—9.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the first resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the second resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Vermilye and Welch—12.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee and Wood—3.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the third resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Finance Committee, appropriating \$2,890 for iron stairways at P. D. G. S. No. 60, Journal, pp. 154, 155, 167.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Vermilye, Welch and Wood—15.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, to be discharged from further consideration of the subject of adding a new grade to the primary course of instruction for children under six years of age, Journal, p. 169.

Commissioner CRAWFORD was called to the chair.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, to pay Miss E. A. Pope, Principal F. D. G. S. No. 3, the maximum salary for fourteen years' service, Journal, p. 170.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Vermilye, Welch and Wood—15.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, to excuse the absence of teachers, &c., with full pay, Journal, pp. 170, 171.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Vermilye, Welch and Wood—15.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced the report of the Committee on School Furniture, to authorize the purchase of new pianos for Primary Schools Nos. 30 and 26, respectively, Journal, pp. 177, 178.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board

would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Vermilye, Welch and Wood—15.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced the report of the Finance Committee, on the ability to pay the bill of D. & E. Herbert, amounting to \$349.39, and of Isaac A. Hopper, amounting to \$261.00, for shoring up the walls of G. S. Nos. 7 and 8, respectively, in 1884, Journal, p. 178.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Buildings, Journal, pp. 142 and 143, in connection with this report of the Finance Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Vermilye, Welch and Wood—15.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Buildings, Journal, pp. 92 and 93, in connection with this report of the Finance Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Vermilye, Welch and Wood—15.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced the report of the Finance Committee, on the ability to pay Thomas Lyons for extra work done under his contract, for altering No. 626 Washington street, for P. S. No. 7, in the Ninth Ward, amounting to \$106.42, Journal, p. 179.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Buildings, Journal, p. 144, in connection with this re-

port of the Finance Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Vermilye, Welch and Wood—15.

The PRESIDENT resumed the chair.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner SELIGMAN, on behalf of Commissioner Ivins, presented the Annual Report of the Board of Education for 1884, and moved that a copy be transmitted to the Mayor, the State Superintendent of Public Instruction and the Common Council, and that the usual number of copies be printed.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom were referred applications from Trustees, to excuse the absence of teachers, with full pay; stating, that the cause of absence in each case reported herein is personal illness.

A statement is submitted, showing the record of each applicant for the past five years.

The Committee recommend that the absences be excused, with full pay, for the time stated in the column "Time allowed," in the following resolution, which is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the following-named teachers be excused for absence, with full pay, for the "time allowed" herein :

WARD.	School.	Name.	Time Allowed.	Years of Service.	Instruction.	Discipline.	No. Days Lost.	Exc. with full pay.
1st.	P. D. 29.	M. Louise Jennett.....	13 d. Feb.....	5	{ Good...2 y. Good...1 y. Ex.....3 y. Ex....4 y. }		183	50 d.
7th.	M. D. 2.	Maggie B. Murphy..	{ 7 d. Feb... 13 d. Mar... }	7	{ Good...1 y..... Ex.....4 y. Ex..... }		24	.....
8th.	M. D. 38.	Mary M. Jordan.....	2 d. Feb.....	12	{ Good...3 y. Good..1 y. Ex.....2 y. Ex....4 y. }		54	21 d.
	F. D. 33.	Carrie Memmel.....	5 d. Feb.....	5	{ Good...1 y. Good..1 y. Ex....4 y. Ex....4 y. }		8	.....

Rank	School.	Name.	Time Allowed.	Years of Service.	Instruc- tion.	Disci- pline.	No. Days Lost.	Exc. with full pay.
	P. S. 25.	Mary Curran.....	7 d. Feb.....	11	{ Good...3 y..... Ex.....3 y.Ex.....		49	.....
93d.	F. D. 3.	Emma S. Jones.....	19 d. Feb.....	20	Ex.....Ex.....		63	33 d.
	F. D. 41.	Emmeline Miller.....	10 d. Feb.....	21	Ex.....Ex.....		9	7 d.
	F. D. 41.	Emily Smith.....	11 d. Feb.....	9	Ex.....Ex.....		8	.....
	P. S. 13.	M. Isabel Williams....	4 d. Feb.....	26	{ Management..... Good...1 y..... Fair...1 y..... Ex.....3 y.....		..	.....
	P. S. 24.	Mary Waterbury.....	3 d. Feb.....	27	{ Management..... Good...1 y..... Ex...4 y.....		7	3 d.
10th.	P. D. 20.	Cornelia D. Banta.....	17 d. Feb.....	24	{ Good...3 y..... Ex.....2 y.Ex.....		57	25 d.
	P. D. 20.	M. Louise Nicholls....	5 d. Feb.....	11	{ Good...3 y..... Ex.....2 y.Ex.....		78	.....
11th.	F. D. 71.	Emma F. Adams.....	17 d. Feb.....	18	Ex.....Ex.....		33	13½ d.
	M. D. 23.	Lizzie G. Milligan....	3 d. Jan.....	14	Ex.....Ex.....		33	19½ d.
12th.	M. D. 27.	Angelina F. Simpson. { 1 d. Jan... 3 d. Feb... }		24	{ Ex.....3 y..... Good...2 y.Ex.....		45	.....
	F. D. 27.	Lydia N. Lowenstein..	13 d. Feb.....	10	Ex.....Ex.....		35	15 d.
	M. D. 27.	Pauline Peterson.....	2 d. Feb.....	6	{ Good...1 y..... Ex.....4 y.Ex.....		18	.....
	P. D. 27.	Kate T. Smith.....	1 d. Feb.....	21	{ Good...1 y..... Ex.....4 y.Ex.....		40	13 d.
	P. S. 42.	Emma A. Klausner....	13 d. Feb.....	5	{ Good.. 1 y..... Ex.....4 y.Ex.....		26	18 d.
	P. D. 54.	Annie M. Atwood.....	1 d. Feb.....	10	Ex.....Ex.....		167	28 d.
	P. D. 27.	Adelaide C. Haight....	6 d. Feb.....	22	General Assistant.....		54	21 d.
13th.	F. D. 4.	Adelaide Reynolds....	4 d. Jan.....	6	Ex.....Ex.....		6	.....
	P. D. 24.	Ellen A. Maguire.....	2 d. Feb.....	13	{ Good...2 y.Good..1 y. Ex.....3 y.Ex....4 y.		25	8 d.
	P. D. 24.	Mary A. Thompson....	1½ d. Feb...	13	{ Good...1 y.Ex....4 y. Ex.....3 y..... (Not examined....1 y.)		59	11 d.
14th.	P. D. 47.	Elizabeth Donaldson..	13½ d. Feb.....	8	Ex.....Ex.....		47	.....
	P. D. 10.	E. E. Moore.....	2 d. Feb.....	13	{ Ex. 4 y..... Good...1 y.Ex.....		51	.....
16th.	G. D. 45.	Kate Towers.....	3 d. Feb.....	26	Ex.....Ex.....		2	.....
	G. D. 45.	Alice T. Knox....	17 d. Feb.....	10	Ex.....Ex.....		42	31 d.
	G. D. 45.	Eleanor Morison.....	1 d. Feb.....	9	Ex.....Ex.....		19	4 d.
17th.	P. D. 13.	Mary Reynolds.....	4 d. Feb.....	12	Ex.....Ex.....		11	3 d.
	P. D. 19.	Alice A. Buckbee.....	Mar. 9 to 18th.	11	{ Good...2 y.Good..1 y. Ex...3 y.Ex....4 y.		13	.....
	P. D. 13.	Teresa M. Riley.....	11 d. Feb.....	13	{ Good...1 y..... Ex.....4 y.Ex.....		47	14 d.
	M. D. 19.	John Vogt.....	10 d. Feb.....	11	{ Good...4 y..... Ex.....1 y.Ex.....		11	3 d.
	F. D. 19.	Alice Lutz.....	6 d. Feb.....	10	{ Good...4 y.Good..1 y. Ex...1 y.Ex...4 y.		2	.....
	P. D. 19.	Mary E. Harrigan.....	1 d. Feb.....	8	{ Good...1 y..... Ex.....4 y.Ex.....		4	.....
	P. D. 19.	Mary E. Barnum.....	17 d. Feb.....	10	Ex.....Ex.....		15	8 d.
	P. D. 25.	Annie E. Baker.....	1 d. Feb.....	20	Ex.....Ex.....		75	39 d.
	P. D. 25.	Maria Hindermann....	1 d. Feb.....	8	{ Ex.....3 y.Ex....3 y. General Assistant..2 y.		3	.....
	P. S. 6.	Mary C. Hepburn.....	3 d. Feb.....	20	{ Management..... Good...1 y..... Ex.....4 y.....		77	66 d.

Ward.	School.	Name.	Time Allowed.	Years of Service.	Instruction.	Discipline.	No. [Days Lost.	Exc. with full pay.
	P. S. 26.	Angeline V. Goodenough	4 d. Feb.....	25	{ Good...1 y..... } { Ex.....4 y.Ex..... }		26	1 d.
18th.	P. D. 40.	Katie G. Lee.....	6 d. Feb.....	16	Ex.....Ex.....		62	50 d.
19th.	F. D. 53.	Elizabeth Antisell.....	5 d. Feb.....	12	{ Good...1 y..... } { Ex.....4 y.Ex..... }		47	41 d.
	M. D. 70.	Theresa E. Florence...	3 d. Feb.....	15	{ Fair....1 y.Good..1 y. } { Good...1 y.Ex....4 y. } { Ex.....3 y..... }		107	48 d.
	M. D. 18.	Gertrude A. Levie.....	2 d. Feb.....	9	Ex.....Ex.....		27	5½ d.
20th.	G. D. 32.	Gert'de J. Chamberlain	2 d. Feb.....	17	General Assistant.....		9	3 d.
	G. D. 33.	Agnes L. Higgins.....	1 d. Feb.....	16	Ex.....Ex.....		5	.....
21st.	F. D. 49.	F. E. A. Gutch.....	6 d. Feb.....	30	{ Management..... } { Excellent..... }		15	8 d.
23d.	G. D. 62.	Sarah E. Doran.....	6 d. Feb.....	16	{ Good...1 y..... } { Ex.....4 y.Ex..... }		17	.....
	P. D. 62.	Hannah F. Whealen....	22 d. Mar....	10	Ex.....Ex.....		60	24 d.
	P. D. 60.	Almirah Conklin.....	15 d. Feb.....	11	{ Good...2 y..... } { Ex.....3 y.Ex..... }		16	.....
	G. D. 60.	Nellie McL. Thompson.	1 d. Feb.....	25	{ Good...1 y..... } { Ex.....4 y.Ex..... }		60	20½ d.

EUGENE H. POMEROY,
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,
WILLIAM WOOD, } Committee
on
Teachers.

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom were referred applications from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward to rehire the following described premises :

Room of "Central Young Men's Christian Association of Yorkville," corner Eighty-sixth street and Third avenue, for one year, from January 1st, at a rent of \$30 per month, except July and August.

Premises in Parepa Hall, for one year, from March 15, at annual rent of \$2,000.

Stating that both premises are occupied as a branch of G. S. No. 37; the lease of the former expired January 1st, and of the latter March 15th. It is necessary that these premises should be rehired until a new building is erected in the vicinity in which they are located, to which the pupils in attendance therein may be transferred.

In recommending the rehiring of the premises, the Committee suggest that the attention of the Trustees of the Twelfth

Ward be called to the general rule of the Board, adopted April 3, 1878 (Jol. 1878, p. 379), requiring them to make application for rehiring premises at least three months prior to the expiration of the lease, and that in case Trustees retain the use of hired premises beyond the time stipulated in the lease, without receiving the necessary authority from this Board, they are personally liable for the amount of the rent of such premises. Accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the School Trustees of the Twelfth Ward be and they are hereby authorized to rehire the following described premises for the time, and at the rent named herein, to be occupied as a branch of Grammar School No. 37 :

Room of " Central Young Men's Christian Association of Yorkville," corner Eighty-sixth street and Third avenue, for one year, from January 1, 1885, at rent of thirty dollars (\$30) per month, except the months of July and August.

Premises in Parepa Hall (Chas. E. Quackenbush, trustee), corner of Eighty-sixth street and Third avenue, for one year, from March 15, 1885, at annual rent of two thousand dollars (\$2,000).

The other conditions of the respective leases to be the same as those now in force.

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee</i> <i>on</i> <i>Buildings.</i>
G. SCHWAB,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		

Commissioner DEVOE asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Vermilye, Welch and Wood—15.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, for an additional allowance of five hundred dollars (\$500) to the incidental fund of Grammar

School No. 32, to be expended in sums of \$41.66 per month in making current repairs ; stating, that the by-laws of the Board provide how repairs shall be made to the several school buildings, and when repairs are required to be made, for which the incidental fund of the school is not sufficient to meet the proposed expenditure, application can be made to the Committee on Buildings for expenditure of sums not exceeding \$200 from the Buildings Contingent Fund. Recommending that the application be denied, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the application of the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward for an additional allowance of five hundred dollars (\$500) to the incidental fund of Grammar School No. 32, be, and the same is hereby denied.

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
G. SCHWAB,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, to pay John Rowland \$13, for services in watching the premises of Primary School No. 7, in West Tenth street ; stating, that upon the transfer of P. S. No. 7, to the hired premises in Washington street, Mr. Rowland was employed four days and nights in January, in watching the old building in West Tenth street, until the contractor for rebuilding the same took possession. Recommending that the bill be paid, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That John Rowland be paid the sum of thirteen dollars (\$13) from the appropriation for Salaries of Janitors, for services rendered in watching the premises of Primary School No. 7, in West Tenth street, for four days and nights in January last.

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
G. SCHWAB,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the bill of Thomas Cockerill, for extra work done in connection with his contract for erecting an addition to Grammar School No. 33, in the Twentieth Ward, amounting to \$8,286.72; stating, that the work represented in the bill was necessary, and done by agreement with the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, and the Superintendent of School Buildings, under the provisions of the contract. The charges are reasonable and as agreed upon. Recommending that the bill be paid, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of eight thousand two hundred and eighty-six $\frac{72}{100}$ dollars (\$8,286.72) be, and the same is hereby appropriated from the funds of 1884, in payment of the bill of Thomas Cockerill, for extra work done in connection with his contract for erecting an addition to Grammar School No. 33, in the Twentieth Ward, duly authorized by this Board; said bill to be paid in accordance with the rules of this Board governing payments.

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
G. SCHWAB,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, to hire premises on One Hundred and Fifth street, between the Boulevard and Tenth avenue, as a branch of Grammar School No. 54; stating, that the Committee is of opinion that no additional accommodation is at present required for Grammar School No. 54. During the summer vacation, if the circumstances of the school should require it, the assembly rooms can be divided by sliding doors, thereby making additional class rooms. Recommending that the application be denied, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the application from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward to hire premises on One Hundred and Fifth street, between the Boulevard and Tenth avenue, for a branch of Grammar School No. 54, be and the same is hereby denied.

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee.</i> <i>on</i> <i>Buildings.</i>
G. SCHWAB,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		

Commissioner DEVOE asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, notifying the Board that on March 12th, 1885, they transferred Patrick Kelly from the position of Inspector of the addition in course of erection to Primary School No. 9, to a similar position on the addition to Grammar School No. 32, and appointed Albert von den Driesch, Inspector of the addition in course of erection to Primary School No. 9.

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee</i> <i>on</i> <i>Buildings.</i>
G. SCHWAB,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		

Ordered, That said report be placed on file.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Buildings, recommending the payment to Mrs. Catharine Hughes of the sum of two hundred and twenty-two ⁴⁰/₁₀₀ dollars (\$222.40), for the care and cleaning of the buildings in Forty first and Forty-second streets during August, September, October and November last; stating, that the Board has the "financial ability" to pay said amount from the general account of 1884, as an incidental expense; the appropriation for salaries of janitors is exhausted.

The report of the Committee on Buildings is on pages 143 and 144 of the Journal.

J. D. VERMILYE,
EUGENE KELLY,
ISAAC BELL,
DE WITT J. SELIGMAN,
R. G. BEARDSLEE,

}

*Finance
Committee.*

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Sites and New Schools, renewing their recommendation for the purchase of six lots of ground on One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street and Sixth avenue, for the sum of thirty-nine thousand dollars (\$39,000), by appropriating therefor \$21,800, the balance of the fund derived from the sale in 1882 of the lots on Sixty-first street, and \$17,200 from the proceeds of the sale of School House Bonds in 1884 ; stating, that the Board has the “financial ability” to make the appropriation, as recommended by said committee, whose report upon this subject is on pages 175 and 176 of the Journal.

This appropriation being made, the balance of the fund derived from the sale of bonds will be forty-six thousand nine hundred and eleven dollars (\$46,911). The sale of the property in Mulberry street is not consummated, and it is probable that the proceeds of such sale will not be at the disposal of the Board this year.

J. D. VERMILYE,
EUGENE KELLY,
ISAAC BELL,
DE WITT J. SELIGMAN,
R. G. BEARDSLEE,

}

*Finance
Committee.*

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Fourth Ward, relative to award of contract for desks and seats for two class rooms in Grammar School No. 1; stating, that in answer to the advertisement for proposals three bids were received; amounts, \$325, and \$320 for National

Study desk in cherry wood, and for Folding desk, respectively, and \$295 for National Study desk in hard wood. The preference is given to the National Study desk in cherry, at the lowest sum named for this quality of article, \$320.

The committee concur in the award and submit the following resolution making an appropriation of the sum required, the Board having the financial ability to do so:

Resolved, That the sum of three hundred and twenty dollars (\$320) be, and the same is hereby appropriated from the reserve fund, for desks and seats for two class rooms in Grammar School No. 1; but no part of said money is to be paid until the Trustees of the Fourth Ward shall have filed the contract to be entered into by them with A. H. Andrews & Co., to whom the contract is awarded, together with such securities for the faithful performance of the same as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee, the usual requirements as to the form of the contract and the payments on account thereof to be complied with.

J. D. VERMILYE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
ISAAC BELL,		
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		
DE WITT J. SELIGMAN,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, making award of contracts for altering and fitting up premises on the south side of One Hundred and Forty-fourth street, hired for the use in part of Grammar School No. 60; stating, that for the furniture designated as Part I, no bids were received. An informal bid for the work required for Part I and II of \$644 was received, but as it did not comply with the requirement that the bid should give the amount for each part, separately, it was rejected. Two bids, in form, were received for the furniture work named in Part II, from one firm for desks of cherry wood, \$445, for the same in hard wood, \$410—the first named is selected. For the alterations required on or about the building, five bids were

received, amounts \$2,545.94, \$1,282, \$1,100, \$988 and \$975 ; the award is for the lowest sum named to Edward Gustaveson. The Committee concur in the action of the Trustees, and the Board, having the ability to appropriate the sum required for the contracts, a resolution is submitted authorizing an appropriation of \$1,420 for this purpose :

Resolved, That the sum of fourteen hundred and twenty dollars (\$1,420) be, and the same is hereby appropriated from the reserve fund, for altering and fitting up the hired premises on the south side of One Hundred and Forty-fourth street, for the use of a part of Grammar School No. 60 ; but no part of said money to be paid until the School Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward shall have filed the contracts to be entered into by them with Edward Gustaveson, for the alteration of the building, &c., for the sum of nine hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$975), and with A. H. Andrews & Co. for the furniture designated as Part II, for the sum of four hundred and forty-five dollars (\$445), to whom the contracts are awarded, together with such security for the faithful performance of the same as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee ; the usual requirements as to the form of the contracts and the payments to be made on account thereof to be complied with.

J. D. VERMILYE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
ISAAC BELL,		
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		
DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee submitting the annual apportionment of moneys to the Ward and Corporate Schools, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Finance Committee submit herewith, for the approval of the Board, the Annual Apportionment for 1885, of that portion of the School Fund, as per communication from the State Superintendent, provided by section 15 of the Act of 1851, for distribution to the several schools named in the 22d section of

said Act, and to the schools named in the other Acts authorizing a participation by them in said fund.

The total average attendance of pupils in the schools entitled to share in this apportionment, for the year ending on the first day of October, 1884, as per returns made under oath by the Principals of the Ward Schools, and the Agents of the Corporate Schools, and upon which this apportionment is based, were one hundred and twenty-five thousand and nineteen (125,019), and the sum to be apportioned is, as follows :

1st. An amount equal to the State quota.....	\$624,997 66
2d. One-twentieth of one per cent. of \$1,338,298, 343, the value of the taxable property of this city, real and personal.....	669,149 17
Total.....	\$1,294,146 83
or about ten, $\frac{351601}{1000000}$ per pupil.	

The details of the attendance in Common Schools by Wards and in the Normal College and Training Department, and in the Nautical and Corporate Schools, and the sums apportioned to each, are given in the Schedules annexed.

Your Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution, confirming the apportionment, as herewith submitted :

Resolved, That the school moneys for 1885, provided by section 15 of the Act of 1851, amounting to the sum of one million two hundred and ninety-four thousand one hundred and forty-six $\frac{83}{100}$ dollars (\$1,294,146.83), be apportioned to the several schools entitled to participate therein, according to the annexed Schedules, and that a copy thereof be duly authenticated and filed with the City Chamberlain.

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. VERMILYE,
EUGENE KELLY,
ISAAC BELL,
DE WITT J. SELIGMAN,
R. G. BEARDSLEE,

} *Finance
Committee.*

NEW YORK, *March 18th*, 1885.

SCHEDULES

Showing the Statute Average Attendance by Wards, and the Amount Apportioned in each Ward, and to the Normal College, Nautical School, and to the several Corporate Schools:

WARDS.	SCHOOLS IN EACH WARD.	Average Attendance.	Amount Apportioned.
First.	Grammar School No. 29, and Primary School No. 15.....	719	\$7,442 80
Second.....	Primary School No. 34.....	84	869 53
Third.....	Primary School No. 37.....	58	600 39
Fourth.	Grammar School No. 1, and Primary Schools Nos. 12 and 14.....	1,461	15,123 69
Fifth	Grammar School No. 44, and Primary School No. 11.....	1,452	15,030 52
Sixth.....	Grammar Schools Nos. 23 and 24, and Primary Schools Nos. 2 and 8 ...	1,797	18,601 82
Seventh	Grammar Schools Nos. 2, 12 and 31, and Primary School No. 36.....	3,474	35,961 46
Eighth	Grammar Schools Nos. 8 and 38, and Primary School No. 25.....	2,200	22,773 52
Ninth.....	Grammar Schools Nos. 3, 16 and 41, and Primary Schools Nos. 7, 13, 18 and 24.....	5,395	55,846 89
Tenth	Grammar Schools Nos. 7, 20, 42 and 75, and Primary School No. 1....	6,962	72,067 85
Eleventh.	Grammar Schools Nos. 15, 22, 36 and 71, and Primary Schools Nos. 3, 5 and 31.....	6,895	71,374 29
Twelfth.....	Grammar Schools Nos. 6, 37, 39, 43, 46, 52, 54, 57, 68, 72 and 78, and Primary Schools Nos. 30, 32 and 42....	14,014	145,067 34
Thirteenth. ...	Grammar Schools Nos. 4 and 34, and Primary Schools Nos. 10, 20 and 40	5,016	51,923 64
Fourteenth. ...	Grammar Schools Nos. 5, 21 and 30..	1,637	16,945 57

WARDS.	SCHOOLS IN EACH WARD.	Average Attend- ance.	Amount Apportioned.
Fifteenth.....	Grammar Schools Nos. 10, 35 and 47.	2,820	\$29,191 51
Sixteenth.....	Grammar Schools Nos. 11, 45, 55, 56 and 81.....	4,127	42,721 06
Seventeenth ..	Grammar Schools Nos. 13, 19, 25, and Primary Schools Nos. 6, 9, 22, 23 and 26.....	7,800	80,742 49
Eighteenth. . .	Grammar Schools Nos. 40 and 50, and Primary Schools Nos. 4, 28 and 29	3,148	32,586 84
Nineteenth. . .	Grammar Schools Nos. 18, 27, 53, 59, 70, 73, 74, 76, 77, and Primary School No. 35.....	16,285	168,575 82
Twentieth	Grammar Schools Nos. 26, 32, 33 and 48, and Primary School No. 27 ..	6,035	62,471 91
Twenty-first...	Grammar Schools Nos. 14 and 49, and Primary School No. 16.....	4,869	50,401 95
Twenty-second	Grammar Schools Nos. 9, 17, 28, 51, 58, 67, 69 and 80, and Primary School No. 41.....	11,612	120,202 79
Twenty-third .	Grammar Schools Nos. 60, 61 and 62, and Primary Schools Nos. 33, 43 and 44.....	3,643	37,710 88
Twenty-fourth.	Grammar Schools Nos. 63, 64, 65 and 66, and Primary Schools Nos. 45, 46, 47 and 48.....	1,641	16,986 98
		113,144	\$1,171,221 54
	Normal College, including the Train- ing Department.....	2,408	24,926 66
	Nautical School.....	136	1,407 84
		115,688	\$1,197,556 04

CORPORATE SCHOOLS.

NAME.	Average Attend- ance.	Amount Apportioned.
The New York Orphan Asylum School. Consolidated Act, Sec. 1,066.....	168	\$1,739 07
The Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum School (three branches). Consolidated Act, Sec. 1,066.....	812	8,405 50
The Schools of the Protestant Half Orphan Asylum. Consolidated Act, Sec. 1,066.....	184	1,904 69
The School of the Association for the Benefit of Colored Orphans. Consolidated Act, Sec. 1,066.....	242	2,505 09
The School of the Leake and Watts Orphan House. Consolidated Act, Sec. 1,066.....	86	890 23
The Schools of the American Female Guardian Society. Consolidated Act, Sec. 1,066.....	1,522	15,755 14
The School Established and Maintained by the New York Juvenile Asylum. Consolidated Act, Sec. 1,066.....	698	7,225 42
The House of Reception of the New York Juvenile Asylum. Consolidated Act, Sec. 1,066.....	97	1,004 11
The School Established and Maintained by the Ladies' Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Consolidated Act, Sec. 1,063.....	387	4,006 07
The School Established and Maintained by the Five Points House of Industry. Consolidated Act, Sec. 1,063.....	407	4,213 10
The Industrial Schools Established and Maintained under the Charge of the Children's Aid Society. Consolidated Act, Sec. 1,063.....	3,213	33,259 69
The School of the Society for the Reformation of Juvenile Delinquents. Consolidated Act, Sec. 1,066...	880	9,109 42
The School, including the Country Branch thereof, Established and Maintained under the charge of the Nursery and Child's Hospital. Consolidated Act, Sec. 1,066.....	205	2,122 08
The School Established and Maintained by the New York Society for the Relief of the Ruptured and Crippled. Chap. 835, Laws of 1872.....	164	1,697 66

NAME.	Average Attend- ance.	Amount Apportioned.
The School of the Hebrew Orphan Society. Chap. 23, Laws of 1874.....	89	\$921 29
The School of the Association for Befriending Children and Young Girls. Chap. 598, Laws of 1880.....	177	1,832 23
Total.....	9,331	\$96,590 79

RECAPITULATION.

NAME.	Average Attend- ance.	Amount Apportioned.
Ward Schools, Grammar and Primary.....	113,144	\$1,171,221 54
Normal College.....	2,408	24,926 66
Nautical School.....	136	1,407 84
	115,688	\$1,197,556 04
Corporate Schools.....	9,331	96,590 79
Total.....	125,019	\$1,294,146 83

Laid over under the rule.

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

The PRESIDENT, at the request of Commissioner Schmitt, presented the two following resolutions:

Resolved, That the Board of Education hereby make application, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 89, Laws of

1881, entitled "An Act to authorize the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund of the City of New York to sell lands no longer required for school purposes in said city," passed April 8, 1881, for the sale of the building and lots known as No. 66 Grand street, and also known as Grammar School No. 8, and that the officers of this Board are hereby authorized to properly certify such application and present the same to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund for their action, and that said Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, or a majority of them, are hereby authorized to make an appraisement of said property with a view to such sale. The property shall be sold for cash or on terms of thirty days, but delivery thereof is not to be given until September 1, 1886; in the meantime said property shall be used by this Board for school purposes, as heretofore, without any charge being made therefor.

Commissioner CRAWFORD moved that the resolution be referred to the Committee on Buildings.

Commissioner DEVOE moved as a substitute that the resolution be laid on the table.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the motion of Commissioner Devoe, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Resolved, That the Building Committee forthwith confer with the Counsel to the Corporation regarding the necessary legislation to enable this Board to procure the necessary funds for the purchase of new sites, the erection of new school buildings, and the alteration and repairing of school buildings. The said Committee to have full power to submit to the Legislature on behalf of this Board, and to procure the passage of all such laws as may be necessary to accomplish the purposes aforesaid.

Commissioner DEVOE moved to amend, by substituting the words "a Special Committee" for the words "Building Committee."

Commissioner SELIGMAN moved to lay the resolution on the table.

Which was lost.

Commissioner WOOD moved to amend, by substituting the "Joint Committee on Buildings and Sites" for the "Building Committee."

Which was adopted.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner SELIGMAN offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee on Supplies be and they hereby are authorized to advertise for proposals for supplying the schools under the jurisdiction of this Board with coal and wood for one year, beginning May 1, 1885.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Commissioner WOOD—

The Board adjourned.

LAWRENCE D. KIERNAN,
Clerk.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 1885.

STATED SESSION.

Present—STEPHEN A. WALKER, Esq., PRESIDENT, and Commissioners BEARDSLEE, BELL, CRAWFORD, DEVOE, GALLAWAY, HOLT, PERKINS, POMEROY, SCHMITT, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, SIMMONS, TAMSEN, WELCH and WOOD—16.

Absent—Commissioners IVINS, KELLY, VERMILYE, WALLACE and WETMORE—5.

On motion, Commissioners VERMILYE and WETMORE were excused for absence from this meeting of the Board.

The PRESIDENT announced for consideration the minutes of the last session.

Commissioner SELIGMAN moved to amend page 184 by inserting the word "in" before the word "instruction" in the seventh line.

Commissioner SCHMITT moved to insert the words "Mayor and," before the word "Counsel" in the twenty-fifth line, on page 213.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of March 18th, as printed and amended, and it was decided in the affirmative by the following vote :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners BEARDSLEE, BELL, CRAWFORD, DEVOE, GALLAWAY, HOLT, PERKINS, POMEROY, SCHMITT, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, TAMSEN, WELCH and WOOD—15.

COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Trustees of the First, Tenth, Fifteenth, Eighteenth, Nineteenth, Twentieth and Twenty-second Wards, to excuse the absence of teachers.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power conferred by the by-laws.

From the Trustees of the Third Ward, to pay Mrs. Mary E. Tripp, Principal of P. S. No. 37, the salary prescribed for Principals of fourteen years' service.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Eighth Ward, for a new piano for Primary Department, Grammar School No. 8.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, to rehire the premises occupied by Primary School No. 42.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, to rehire the premises occupied by the Primary Department of Grammar School No. 83.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, to build an additional story upon Grammar School building No. 39, and to rearrange the building.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, to pay Mrs. Emma Lee for services as janitrix of Primary Department, Grammar School No. 83.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, to pay John McCusker \$24.25 for cleaning, &c., the branch of Grammar School No. 78.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, to purchase a site on E. 121st street, between Third and Lexington avenues for \$39,000.

Referred to the Committee on Sites and New Schools.

From the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, asking that an Evening School for females be organized in Grammar School No. 4.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Fourteenth Ward, making an award of contract for erecting an iron stairway on Grammar School building No. 30, to George M. Mitnacht for the sum of \$890, and asking for an appropriation for said purpose.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, nominating Joseph G. Furey for Principal of the Evening School held in Grammar School No. 40.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, to pay the salary of Thomas F. Carley, late a teacher in Grammar School No. 40, who died March 6th, for the balance of the month.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, to pay Miss Margaret Durnin, for services rendered in Primary School No. 29, during the month of February.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, to pay Miss Annie F. Thorne for services rendered in Primary Department Grammar School No. 50, during the month of February.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, relative to the piano in Grammar Department, Grammar School No. 48.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, asking for the payment of a bill of Baker, Pratt & Co., amounting to \$50, for furniture supplied Grammar School No. 60, by authority of the Committee on School Furniture, in August, 1884.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

CITY SUPERINTENDENT.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications from the City Superintendent :

Reporting a teacher in P. D. G. S. No. 70, for violation of the by-law prohibiting corporal punishment.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

Report of the operations of the Truancy Department for the month of March, as follows :

CITY SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, }
NEW YORK, April 1, 1885. }

To the Honorable the Board of Education :

GENTLEMEN—I submit herewith the following report of the Truancy Department for the month of March.

The total number of cases investigated and closed was 1641. Of this number, 375 reported as truants, and 171 as non-attendants, were placed in school.

Appended will be found a schedule giving these and other facts in detail.

Very respectfully,

JOHN JASPER,

City Superintendent.

SCHEDULE.

Total number of visits made.....	3,878
To homes.....	2296
To schools.....	1194
To stores and factories. ..	388
Total.....	<u>3,878</u>

Total number of cases investigated and closed.....	1,641
Children kept at home by parents. . .	424
“ “ “ sickness	279
“ “ “ poverty.....	43
“ physically or mentally disqualified.....	10
“ transferred from one school to another...	35
“ under 8 and over 14 years of age.....	59
“ withdrawn from school { left the city....	18
“ “ “ “ gone to work..	36
“ whose residence could not be found.....	185
“ found to be truants and returned to school	375
“ found to be truants and committed to Reformatory Institutions by parents through agent.....	4
“ found to be non-attendants and placed in school.....	171
“ found to be non-attendants and committed to Reformatory Institutions by parents through agent.....	2
Total.....	<u>1,641</u>

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS:

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From Mrs. Anna J. Henderson, complaining against the

action of the Principal and certain teachers of Grammar Department of Grammar School No. 74, in the treatment of her daughter.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the "Clinton Wire Cloth Co.," relative to their patent "wire lath."

Referred to the Committee on Supplies.

From Misses Florence T. Ray, and J. Imogen Howard, teachers in Grammar School No. 81, appealing from the action of the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, in reducing their salaries.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From Morris Little and Son, relative to the use of a new disinfectant in the public schools.

Referred to the Committee on Supplies.

From William Mickleham, resigning his office as Trustee for the Twenty-fourth Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Nomination of Trustees.

From the Counsel to the Corporation, relative to the title to site corner Ninety-sixth street and Lexington avenue, as follows :

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION, }
NEW YORK, *April 1, 1885.*

LAWRENCE D. KIERNAN, Esq.,

Clerk of Board of Education :

SIR—The Board of Education having, by resolution adopted February 4th, 1885, appropriated the sum of thirty-three thousand dollars (\$33,000) for the purchase of a plot of ground on the southeast corner of Ninety-sixth street and Lexington avenue, and authorized the said sum to be paid by the Comptroller upon the presentation to him of the deed of the said premises, together with the certificate of the Counsel to the Corporation, that the title thereto was satisfactory and

free from all incumbrances, and vested in the corporation, I have examined such title, and finding the title to a lot 160 feet on Ninety-sixth street and 100 feet and 8 1-2 inches on Lexington avenue vested in Charles R. Parfitt, subject only to two mortgages to the executors of the late John McKeon, amounting to twenty thousand (\$20,000) dollars, I certified the same to the Comptroller, and the mortgages being paid off and satisfied, the deed was delivered, and the title to the premises is now vested in the city.

In making this investigation, I have paid and incurred expenses for fees, for searches, and surveys as follows :

Register's fees.....	\$25 85
County Clerk's fees	50 10
Fees of Tax Searcher.....	25 00
Surveyor's fees.....	25 00
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	\$125 95

which please call to the attention of the Board, that the same may be returned to me.

I am, sir,
Yours respectfully,
E. HENRY LACOMBE,
Counsel to the Corporation.

Referred to the Auditing Committee.

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes.

REPORTS LAID OVER UNDER THE RULE.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, to excuse the absence of teachers, &c., with full pay, Journal, pp. 198-200.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Bell,

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Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Bell,

Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Welch and Wood—15.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Buildings, denying the application from the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, for an additional allowance of \$500 to the incidental fund of Grammar School No. 32, Journal, pp. 201, 202.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Buildings, to pay John Rowland \$13, for services in watching premises of Primary School No. 7, in West Tenth street, Journal, p. 202.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Welch and Wood—15.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Finance Committee, on the ability to pay Mrs. Catharine Hughes \$222.40, for the care and cleaning of buildings in Forty-first and Forty-second streets (G. S. Nos. 67 and 80), Journal, pp. 204, 205.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Buildings, found on Journal, pp. 143 and 144, in connection with this report of the Finance Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Welch and Wood—15.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Finance Committee, appropriating \$320 for desks and seats for two class-

rooms in Primary Department Grammar School No. 1, Journal, pp. 205, 206.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Welch and Wood—15.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Finance Committee, appropriating \$1,420, for altering, fitting up, and furnishing the hired premises on the south side of One Hundred and Forty-fourth street, for the use of a part of Grammar School No. 60, Journal, pp. 206, 207.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Welch and Wood—15.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Finance Committee, making the annual apportionment of school moneys to the several Ward and Corporate Schools, Journal, pp. 207-212.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Finance Committee, on the ability of the Board to appropriate \$39,000 for the purchase of a site on One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street and Sixth avenue, Journal, p. 205.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the three resolutions attached to the report of the Committee on Sites and New Schools, found on Journal, pp. 175

and 176, in connection with this report of the Finance Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Welch and Wood—16.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented a report from the Auditing Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the Clerk, transmitting a check from Golden & Norton, amounting to \$21 ; stating, that this check is for payment of damages to glass in G. S. No. 59, in East Fifty-seventh street, broken while men in the employ of Golden & Norton were engaged in blasting rocks at the rear of the school house. The broken glass was replaced by the School Trustees, and the cost of the same paid from the appropriation made for school purposes in 1884.

The Committee recommend that the check be placed in the Incidental Fund of the office of the Clerk, for the purchase of postage stamps and other incidental expenses of the Board, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the check received from Golden & Norton, amounting to \$21, in payment of damage done to glass in Grammar School No. 59, be placed in the Incidental Fund of the Clerk's office, to be used in the purchase of postage stamps and for other petty expenses of the Board.

HENRY SCHMITT,	}	<i>Auditing Committee.</i>
DE WITT J. SELIGMAN,		
ISAAC BELL,		
H. B. PERKINS,		

Commissioner SCHMITT asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner SCHWAB presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, to whom was referred, March 4th, the application from the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, dated February 28th, for authority to make certain alterations in plumbing, etc., of Grammar School No. 11, as recommended by the Board of Health ; stating, that the Engineer of the Board has reported to your Committee that in his opinion the work is not necessary, recommending that the application be denied, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the application from the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, dated February 28th, to make alterations in the plumbing work, etc., of Grammar School No. 11, as recommended by the Board of Health, be, and the same is hereby denied.

GUSTAV SCHWAB, F. W. DEVOE, R. M. GALLAWAY, HENRY SCHMITT, W. J. WELCH,	}	<i>Committee on Warming and Ventilation.</i>
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Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, in the matter of the communication from the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, with reference to the premises No. 17 St. Mark's place, formerly Primary School No. 23 ; stating, that under the terms of the lease in force to May 1st, this Board is required to make all current repairs to the premises. Your Committee have estimated that it will cost about \$250 to make such repairs. Mr. Bruno Webber, the owner of said premises, has agreed to accept this sum in lieu of all claims he may have for repairs, etc., under the lease, provided he be given immediate possession of the premises and be paid the rent to May 1st, a condition to which your Committee agree. Accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That Mr. Bruno Webber be paid the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250), in lieu of all claims he

may have under the conditions in the lease of premises No. 17 St. Mark's place, lately occupied by Primary School No. 23, which requires that this Board shall make all current repairs, and that he be paid the rent of the same to May 1, 1885, and given immediate possession of the premises.

F. W. DEVOE,	} Committee on Buildings.
G. SCHWAB,	
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	
R. M. GALLAWAY,	

Referred to the Finance Committee to report at this meeting.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, for authority to erect an iron stairway on the rear wall of Grammar School No. 32, from the fourth floor to the playground; stating, that in 1883 the Trustees, in compliance with the authority of this Board, advertised for proposals for doing this work, but failed to make an award of contract. The same necessity exists at the present time for these stairs as existed in 1883. Recommending that the Trustees be authorized to advertise for proposals for doing the work, and submitting the following resolution for adoption:

Resolved, That the School Trustees for the Twentieth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to advertise in the *City Record* for two weeks for proposals for erecting an iron stairway on the rear wall of Grammar School Building No. 32, from the fourth floor to the playground; plans and specifications to be prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the Committee on Buildings and said Trustees.

F. W. DEVOE,	} Committee on Buildings.
G. SCHWAB,	
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	
R. M. GALLAWAY,	

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward to pay James Reynolds the sum of \$55.11, for cleaning the new addition to Grammar School No. 33 ; stating, that upon the completion of the new addition to G. S. No. 33, and before the same was occupied for school purposes, the janitor, Mr. Reynolds, under authority of the Trustees, cleaned the building, and thereby incurred an expense of \$55.11, as per a bill of items attached to the application. Recommending that the bill be paid, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That James Reynolds be paid the sum of fifty-five ¹¹/₁₀₀ dollars (\$55.11) for money expended by him in cleaning the new addition to Grammar School No. 33, from the appropriation for salaries of janitors.

F. W. DEVOE,	} Committee on Buildings.
G. SCHWAB,	
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	
R. M. GALLAWAY,	

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, for the payment of the bill of McDonald & Kilduff, amounting to \$134.00, incurred in May, 1884, for paving, &c., at Grammar School No. 77 ; stating, that in the course of completion of the work of erecting this school building, it was found necessary that the curb and a portion of the street pavement should be regulated to conform to the proper grade and width of the sidewalk. The Trustees thereupon had the work done by McDonald & Kilduff, and incurred an expense of \$134.00. In the opinion of the Committee the work was necessary, recommending the payment of the bill, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of one hundred and thirty-four dollars (\$134.00) be, and the same is hereby appropriated from the funds of 1884, for the payment of the bill of McDonald & Kilduff, incurred by the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward in May, 1884, in paving, &c., at Grammar School No. 77,

said bill to be paid on the approval of the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, Inspectors of the Seventh District and Superintendent of School Buildings.

F. W. DEVOE,	} Committee on Buildings.
G. SCHWAB,	
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	
R. M. GALLAWAY,	

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, to hire the premises Nos. 114 and 116 Cannon street, to relieve the crowded condition of P. D. No. 22 and P. S. No. 3, at an annual rent of \$3,000 ; stating, that the Committee are unanimous in the opinion that additional school accommodations are required to relieve these two schools, but at the same time they are reluctantly compelled to report adversely to this application for the reason that they do not feel justified in recommending the payment of an annual rent of \$3,000 for temporary use of the premises, and an expenditure of \$5,000 for altering the same, exclusive of the necessary furniture and heating apparatus.

If the Legislature should enact a law giving this Board the necessary funds for the purchase of sites and erection of new buildings, the Committee would undoubtedly recommend the purchase of a site and erecting a new Primary School building in the immediate vicinity of these schools, and thus do away with the premises at present occupied by P. S. No. 3, which are entirely inadequate for school purposes. The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the application from the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward to hire the premises Nos. 114 and 116 Cannon street, be and the same is hereby denied.

Respectfully submitted.

F. W. DEVOE,	} Committee on Buildings.
G. SCHWAB,	
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	
R. M. GALLAWAY,	

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom were referred applications from Trustees, to excuse the absence of teachers, with full pay; stating, that the cause of absence in each case reported herein is personal illness.

A statement is submitted, showing the record of each applicant for the past five years.

The Committee recommend that the absences be excused, with full pay, for the time stated in the column "Time allowed," in the following resolution, which is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the following-named teachers be excused for absence, with full pay, for the "time allowed " herein :

WARD.	School.	Name	Time Allowed.	Years of Service.	Instruction.	Discipline.	No. Days Lost.	Exc. with full pay.
4th.	M. D.	1. Mary F. Hurley.....	3 d. Feb.....	22	{ Good...4 y. Ex....3 y. }		11	.....
	M. D.	1. Rose J. Kelly.....	2 d. Jan.....	15	{ Ex.....2 y. Ex ...4 y. }		12	. ....
	P. D.	1. Eliza Hussey.....	{ Jan. 17th to Feb. 17 th... }	25	{ Good...4 y. Good..3 y. }		91	17 d.
17th.	P. D.	19. Alice A. Buckbee....	{ Mar. 18th to April 1st... }	11	{ Good...2 y. Ex... 1 y. }		20	8 d.
24th.	G. D.	65. Marion E. Coppernoll..	3 d. Feb.....	7	Ex.....Ex.....		64	27 d.
	P. D.	65. Lovisa S. Upson.....	3 d. Feb. ...	27	{ Management..... }		4	.....
	G. D.	66. A. M. Cowan.....	16 d. Feb.....	10	{ Good...1 y. Ex..... }		6	.....

EUGENE H. POMEROY,
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,
WILLIAM WOOD,

} Committee
on
Teachers.

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner WELCH presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, to whom were referred applications from the Trustees of several Wards to purchase new pianos as follows :

- Second Ward, P. S. No. 34.
- Fifth Ward, M. F. and P. D. No. 44, and P. S. No. 11.
- Twelfth Ward, G. D. No. 54.
- Sixteenth Ward, G. D. No. 55, P. D. No. 56 and P. D. No. 11.
- Twenty-second Ward, F. D. No. 28.
- Stating, that. they have caused a careful examination of the

pianos now in use in these several schools to be made, and find that the most important part of the instrument, the sounding board and iron frame, are in perfect condition, and the pianos can be made as good as new by an expenditure of not more than \$75 on each instrument. These pianos are of our best manufacturers: Steinway, Chickering, Hazelton, Weber and Barmore. The Committee can see no good reason for an expenditure of \$3,000 for new pianos, when the instruments at present in use can be repaired at an expense not exceeding \$750 in the aggregate, and placed in good condition for use for a number of years. It is recommended that the application be denied, and that the Trustees be notified that an application to repair the instruments now in use will receive the consideration of the Board. The following resolution is submitted for approval:

Resolved, That applications from Trustees to purchase new pianos for the following named schools be, and the same are hereby denied:

Second Ward, Primary School No. 34.

Fifth Ward, Male, Female and Primary Department No. 44, and Primary School No. 11.

Twelfth Ward, Grammar Department, Grammar School No. 54.

Sixteenth Ward, Grammar Department No. 55 and Primary Departments Nos. 56 and 11.

Twenty-second Ward, Female Department No. 28.

W. J. WELCH, } Committee
CHAS. L. HOLT, } on
H. B. PERKINS, } School Furniture.

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner SIMMONS presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward for the payment of the following named bills:

H. Fick, repairing clocks, G. S. 35, Oct., Nov., Dec., 1884....	\$3 75
P. de Hoog, tuning, &c., piano, G. S. 35, Oct., Nov., Dec., 1884....	3 12

incurred in excess of appropriation made for incidental expenses of this school for 1884; stating, that during the month of August last, the Superintendent of School Buildings authorized the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward to oil the floors of this school under the provisions of section 54, subdivision 2, of the by-laws. The bill for this work amounted to \$42.00, and was paid from the Incidental Fund of the school. The Trustees, however, believing that this bill had been paid from the "Buildings Contingent Fund," incurred expenditure which in the aggregate amounted \$6.87 in excess of the amount appropriated for the school. As there is a balance of money to the credit of Grammar School No. 47, more than enough to pay these bills, the Committee recommend that they be paid from this fund; the following resolution is submitted for adoption:

Resolved, That the following named bills, incurred by the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward, in Grammar School No. 35, in 1884, be paid from the unexpended balance of the incidental fund to the credit of Grammar School No. 47, in the same year, and that all by-laws or parts of by-law inconsistent herewith, be suspended for the purpose of this resolution:

H. Fick, repairing clocks, G. S. 35, Oct., Nov., Dec., 1884.....	\$3 75
P. de Hoog, tuning, &c., piano, G. S. 35, Oct., Nov., Dec., 1884.....	3 12

J. EDWARD SIMMONS,	} Committee on By-Laws, &c.
R. G. BEARDSLEE,	
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	
WILLIAM WOOD,	

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner SIMMONS presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Tenth Ward, to pay Peter Kemmer for services as temporary Janitor of Primary School No. 1; stating, that the janitor of this school

died on January 20th, and a successor was appointed February 1st, and paid the salary of the position from the latter date. No salary has been paid from January 20th to February 1st. Recommending that inasmuch as Mr. Kemmer performed the duties of the position during that time, the application be granted, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That Mr. Peter Kemmer be paid the sum of twenty-two $\frac{67}{100}$ dollars (\$22.67), for services rendered as temporary janitor of Primary School No. 1, from January 20th to February 1st, 1885, from the appropriation made for salaries of Janitors.

J. EDWARD SIMMONS,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, &c.</i>
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner SIMMONS presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the resolution of Commissioner Crawford, amending section 33, subdivision 9, of the by-laws, relative to excusing the absence of teachers (Journal, pp. 192, 193); approving the proposed change and recommending the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That section 33, subdivision 9, of the by-laws, be amended by adding after the word "entertained," in the third and fourth lines from the top of page 102 of the Manual of 1884, the following :

"Where no additional expense is incurred by the Board of Education for the providing of a substitute teacher, the Committee on Teachers shall have power to excuse the absent teacher, with pay, less the amount paid to the substitute."

J. EDWARD SIMMONS,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, &c.</i>
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner SIMMONS presented a report from the Committee on By Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, for the payment of the following named bills for work on Grammar School No. 25, in 1884, incurred in excess of the appropriation for incidental expenses for that school :

Ferd. Ehrhart, repairing leak in Croton main, Dec. 1 . . . \$15 18
John Neal & Co., repairing heating apparatus, Nov. 15 . . 3 36

Stating that the bill for plumbing work was occasioned by a case of emergency : the water pipe from the street had burst, and thus cut off the supply from the boiler. Serious consequences might have occurred had the Trustees failed to attend to the matter at once. The bill for heating apparatus repairs was also an absolute necessity. There is a sufficient balance to the credit of Primary School No. 9 from which these bills can be paid ; recommending the payment of the bills, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the following named bills for repairs in Grammar School No. 25, in 1884, be paid from the incidental fund of Primary School No. 9, in 1884, and that all by-laws or parts of by-laws inconsistent herewith be suspended for the purposes of this resolution :

Ferd. Ehrhart, repairing leak in Croton main, G. S.
25, Dec. 1 \$15 18
John Neal & Co., repairing heating apparatus, G. S.
25, Nov. 15 3 36

Total \$18 54

J. EDWARD SIMMONS,
R. G. BEARDSLEE,
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,
EUGENE H. POMEROY,
WILLIAM WOOD, } Committee on
By-Laws, &c.

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner BEARDSLEE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Buildings, recommending an appropriation of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) in settlement of the claim of Bruno Webber, for compensation for current repairs required by the lease of premises No. 17 St. Mark's Place, lately occupied by P. S. No. 23 ; stating, that the Board has the ability to appropriate the sum named from the Reserve Fund.

The report of the Committee on Buildings is on the Journal of this date, pages 225 and 226.

R. G. BEARDSLEE,	} <i>Finance Committee.</i>
ISAAC BELL,	
DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Buildings, Journal, pp. 225 and 226, in connection with this report of the Finance Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Welch and Wood—16.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented a report from the Auditing Committee, stating that they have examined the accompanying bills, and believing the items thereof to be correct, and the charges reasonable, recommend their payment by the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the following named bills be, and they hereby are, approved for payment:

E. Henry Lacombe, disbursements in examining title to premises in West Fiftieth street, Feb. 13.	\$238 70
E. Henry Lacombe, disbursements in examining title to premises in King street, Feb. 13.....	74 20
E. Henry Lacombe, disbursements in examining title to premises in One Hundred and Thirty-eighth ^h street and Willis avenue, Feb. 14.....	88 70

E. Henry Lacombe, disbursements in examining title to premises in Ogden and Lynd avenues, Feb. 14	\$108 30
Robidoux & Son, coal scale bridges, Feb. 14	10 00
J. S. Babcock, coal receipt books, Feb. 13	5 00
F. Froberg, <i>Evening Post, Mail and Express</i> and <i>Commercial Advertiser</i> , Jan. 1 to March 1	3 92
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HENRY SCHMITT,	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
ISAAC BELL,	
DE WITT J. SELIGMAN,	
H. B. PERKINS,	

Commissioner SCHMITT asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Welch and Wood—16.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented a report from the Auditing Committee, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, for the payment of the bill of R. Delaney for carting furniture, etc., from Grammar School No. 59, to Grammar School No. 76, amounting to \$2.00 ; stating, that it became necessary that said furniture, books, etc., should be removed in consequence of the change of the Trustees' meeting room from G. S. No. 59, to the new room at G. S. No. 76; recommending that the bill be paid, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the application from the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward for the payment of the bill of R. Delaney, for carting furniture, books, &c., from Grammar School No. 59 to Grammar School No. 76, amounting to two dollars (\$2), be, and the same is hereby approved for payment, to be

paid from the Incidental Fund of the Board of Education.

HENRY SCHMITT, ISAAC BELL, DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,	}	<i>Auditing Committee.</i>
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Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner BEARDSLEE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Fourteenth Ward, relative to the award made by them for erecting two iron stairways on Grammar School Building No. 30; stating, that in answer to the usual advertisement, eight bids were received, amounts \$2,700, \$1,275, \$1,175, \$1,174, \$1,188, \$1,145, \$975 and \$890, the lowest by George M. Mittnacht, to whom the contract is awarded.

The Board has the financial ability to appropriate the sum required, and accompanied with the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of eight hundred and ninety dollars (\$890) be, and the same is hereby appropriated from the Reserve Fund, for erecting two iron stairways on Grammar School Building No. 30; but not part of said money to be paid until the Trustees of the Fourteenth Ward shall have duly filed the contract to be entered into by them with George M. Mittnacht, together with such security for the faithful performance of the same as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee; the usual requirements as to the form of contract and the payments to be made on account thereof to be complied with.

R. G. BEARDSLEE, ISAAC BELL, DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented a report from the Auditing Committee, stating that they have examined the accompanying bills, and, believing the items thereof to be correct, and the charges reasonable, recommend their payment by the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the following named bills be, and they hereby are approved for payments :

John Spence, moving radiators from P. S. No. 7, to workshop, February 24, 1885.	\$11 00
C. S. Sherman, new urinal, January 29, 1885.....	10 34
J. S. Babcock, letter copying book and ink, February 27, 1885.....	1 75
Henry Schmidt & Son, repairing leak in roof, Hall of the Board, March 6, 1885..	\$10 07
Henry Schmidt, repairing chimney tops, etc., Hall of Board, March 6, 1885.....	5 40
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Thomas Martin, furnishing halyards for flagstaff, Hall of the Board, March 16.....	5 00
The Evening Post Job Printing Office, printing minutes of February 4 and 18, miscellaneous, etc.....	271 12
The Evening Post Job Printing Office, printing 2500 copies of Directory Board of Education 1885, February 28.....	507 63
	————— 778 75
Wynkoop & Hallenbeck, printing blanks, etc., and index to Journal of 1884, and binding, March 20, 1885.....	239 06
L. D. Kiernan, postage, etc., February 28 to March 30, 1885.....	108 38
E. Henry Lacombe, counsel to the corporation, disbursements in examining title to plot of ground on southeast corner Ninety-sixth street and Lexington avenue, April 1, 1885.....	125 95
	————— \$1,295 70

HENRY SCHMITT,
DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,
SAAC BELL,

}

Auditing
Committee.

Commissioner SCHMITT asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Welch and Wood—16.

Commissioner SCHWAB presented the following report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation :

To the Board of Education :

Your Committee on Warming and Ventilation, to whom has been referred the communication of the Comptroller, dated January 13th, 1885, respectfully report as follows :

In his letter, the Comptroller draws the attention of your Board to the facts that certain bills have been presented to him for payment by John, Neal & Co., for work done under contract, in Grammar Schools, No. 14, 34, 76 and 77; that said bills had endorsed on them the signature of the former Engineer of your Board and of the respective Trustees, certifying that the work had been performed in accordance with the contracts, and that the bills were correct. That upon these certificates the final payments had been made under the contracts for work done in G. S. Nos. 34, 76 and 77. That before final payment for the work done in G. S. No. 14 was made, an investigation instituted by the Comptroller had brought out the fact that a certain portion of the work stipulated in the contracts for work in the four school buildings had not been performed, inasmuch as the screens ordered for the protection of pupils and furniture against the radiators had not been put in. That there was no evidence showing that the Trustees had exercised the right reserved to them by section 2d of the contracts, of altering or omitting any of the stipulated requirements, or of substituting another class of work for any work omitted. That the Comptroller, therefore, felt bound to deduct the value

of 895 screens, omitted under the four contracts from the final payment under the contract for furnishing, &c., heating apparatus for G. S. No. 14, amounting as per voucher to \$1,993, such deduction being estimated at 75c. for each screen omitted, and amounting in all to \$671.25. That John Neal & Co. declined to accept such settlement and deduction, stating that other work not stipulated for by the contracts had been performed in each of these school buildings which they claimed was a full equivalent for the work omitted.

An examination made by the present Engineer of your Board having confirmed the facts as stated by the Comptroller your Committee invited the Trustees of the 13th, 19th and 21st Wards to a conference, at which their attention was directed to the matter, and they were asked to make a thorough investigation, and report the result thereof to your Committee in writing.

From the reports thereupon made to your Committee, which are hereto annexed, it appears :

1. That no screens have been furnished to any of the four schools.

2. That they were omitted without the knowledge or consent of the Trustees, who in certifying to the proper performance of the contracts relied entirely upon the certificate of the former Engineer of your Board.

3. That in the case of G. S. No. 76 and 77 the Trustees do not report any extra work done over and above that called for by the specifications, and that in their opinion screens to the number of about 100 will be required and should be put in.

4. That in the case of G. S. No. 34, the Trustees approve of the omission of the screens, and consider them unnecessary; as to any work performed not called for by the specifications, they only state that coils have been substituted for radiators in many places.

5. In the case of G. S. No. 14, the Trustees report various omissions of work stipulated in the contract besides that of the screens, and the substitution therefor of other work not

called for, without, however, giving any estimate of the relative value of the work omitted and of that substituted.

Your Committee then demanded explanations from John Neal & Co., who insisted that all omissions of work called for by the specifications had been sanctioned by the former Engineer of the Board, and that other work had been substituted by his orders, for which extra work they presented bills amounting in the aggregate to \$786.25. Your Committee thereupon directed the present Engineer of the Board to make a further minute examination of the facts and report to this Committee in writing. Upon due consideration of this report, which is hereto annexed, your committee came to the conclusion that most, if not all the screens called for in the specifications for G. S. Nos. 14, 34, 76, and 77 were necessary for the protection of the children and furniture against the radiators and coils; that another serious omission consisted in that of globe valves to the return pipes of the radiators, which could, however, not be supplied at this season of the year, and had better be deducted from the final payment on the contract for G. S. No. 14; and that the other omissions may be considered balanced by certain work done by John Neal & Co., not called for by the contracts or specifications.

Your Committee therefore offered to John Neal & Co. to certify to the Comptroller, and to recommend to that officer a final settlement of the amount due on contract for heating apparatus in G. S. No. 14, upon the following conditions, viz.:

1. That John Neal & Co. supply to Grammar Schools Nos. 14, 34, 76, and 77 all the screens called for in the specifications.

2. That they allow a deduction to be made of \$1 for each globe valve omitted from the return pipes of the radiators or coils in the aforesaid schools, their exact number to be hereafter reported by the Engineer of the Board.

3. That John Neal & Co. withdraw all bills and claims for extra work performed on the heating apparatus of said schools.

Which offer has been accepted by John Neal & Co.

Your Committee offer the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the action of the Committee on Warming and

Ventilation, with reference to the work omitted by John Neal & Co. in carrying out their contract for supplying Grammar Schools Nos. 14, 34, 76, and 77 with heating apparatus, be, and the same is hereby approved ; also,

Resolved, That the Clerk of this Board be directed to notify the Comptroller of such action having been taken with reference to the matter referred to in his communication of January 13th.

Respectfully submitted.

GUSTAV SCHWAB,	}	<i>Committee on Warming and Ventilation.</i>
F. W. DEVOE,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		
HENRY SCHMITT,		
W. J. WELCH,		

New York, *April* 1, 1885.

Commissioner SCHWAB asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolutions attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WOOD moved that said report be entered in full in the minutes, with the exception of the communications attached thereto.

Commissioner SELIGMAN moved to amend by entering an abstract of said report, under the direction of the Chairman of the Committee ; which was lost.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the motion of Commissioner WOOD, and it was decided in the affirmative.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee on Teachers, before reporting on any further nominations for Principals, submit to this

Board their plan of consolidation, and the number of schools which remain or are intended to be consolidated.

Commissioner SIMMONS moved to lay the resolution on the table.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the motion of Commissioner Simmons, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Simmons, Welch and Wood—3.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman and Tamsen—13.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution of Commissioner Schmitt, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Beardslee, Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen and Welch—11.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Holt, Pomeroy, Simmons and Wood—5.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Commissioner WOOD—

The Board adjourned.

LAWRENCE D. KIERNAN,
Clerk.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15, 1885.

STATED SESSION.

Present—STEPHEN A. WALKER, Esq., PRESIDENT, and Commissioners BEARDSLEE, BELL, CRAWFORD, DEVOE, GALLAWAY, HOLT, KELLY, PERKINS, POMEROY, SCHMITT, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, SIMMONS, TAMSEN, VERMILYE, WALLACE, WELCH and WOOD—19.

Absent—Commissioners IVINS and WETMORE—2.

The PRESIDENT announced for consideration the minutes of the last session, and put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the session held on April 1st, as printed in the Journal, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners BEARDSLEE, BELL, CRAWFORD, DEVOE, GALLAWAY, HOLT, KELLY, PERKINS, POMEROY, SCHMITT, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, SIMMONS, TAMSEN, VERMILYE, WELCH and WOOD—18.

Commissioner SCHMITT moved that the vote approving the minutes of February 18, be reconsidered, which was adopted.

Commissioner SCHMITT moved to amend page 141 of the Journal, by striking out the item "Wynkoop & Hallenbeck, printing, &c., \$179.75," and the total sum of "\$634.81," which was adopted.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of February 18, as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy,

Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch and Wood—19.

COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Trustees of the Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Ninth, Eleventh, Twelfth, Thirteenth, Fourteenth, Sixteenth, Seventeenth, Twentieth, Twenty-first, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, to excuse the absence of teachers with full pay.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power conferred by the by-laws.

From the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, for a new piano for P. S. No. 2.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, asking for new steam heating apparatus in G. S. building No. 23.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

From the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, asking for steam heating apparatus for P. S. No. 8.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

From the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, asking for authority to repaint the interior of G. S. building No. 36.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, asking for authority to repaint the interior of G. S. No. 71.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, for authority to excavate and remove the rock from the school site on the corner of Ninety-sixth street and Lexington avenue.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, asking for a new building for a Female and Primary Department, in place of P. S. No. 10, and the transfer of Female Department of G. S. No. 34, to said new school.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, asking that Charles Eschenbach be paid for services in protecting property No. 17 St. Marks Place, for February, March and April, 1885.

Referred to Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, recommending Henry Allen for Trustee of Common Schools of said Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Nomination of Trustees.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, relative to complaint of D. J. Whitney, against said Board, in the matter of charges of improper treatment of pupils in P. D. G. S. No. 74.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-first Ward, nominating Teachers for Female Evening School No. 49.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

CITY SUPERINTENDENT.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications from the City Superintendent :

Recommending the removal of a Teacher for insubordination.
Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

Report of the City Superintendent for the month of March, as follows :

CITY SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, }
NEW YORK, April 15, 1885. }

To the Honorable the Board of Education :

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to submit the following report

of the transactions of the Superintendent's Department for the month of March last.

During that time the following named schools were carefully examined :

Grammar Schools Nos. 12, 18, 28, 42, 50, 55, 58, 72, 73, 76 ; Primary Schools Nos. 11 and 42 ; Male Department No. 4, Female Department No. 4 and Female Department No. 2—a total of 26 schools and 382 classes.

In character of instruction, 296 classes were reported *excellent* and 86 *good*.

In discipline, of the 388 classes either examined or inspected, 360 were found to be *excellent*, 27 *good* and one *fair*.

The general management in 25 schools was *excellent* and in one *good*. On the 27th ult. the "Home School" connected with the Hebrew Orphan Asylum was visited and examined.

The school consists of 191 pupils, divided into three sections or divisions, pursuing the studies and exercises of the primary grades.

The instruction throughout the school is generally satisfactory. The discipline and the general management are *excellent*.

I would respectfully call the attention of the Board to the fact that the attendance in Evening Schools Nos. 29 and 81 is too small to justify their continuance. I would, therefore, recommend that the Board take appropriate action in the matter.

The monthly returns of the Principals of the Grammar and Primary Departments and Primary Schools, show a total enrollment on the thirty-first day of March, of 141,871 pupils, with an average daily attendance of 129,903, an increase of 2,419 in enrollment, and 2,708 in attendance when compared with the returns for the month of March last year.

The whole number of teachers employed, including principals, during the month was 3,193 or 151 greater than for the same period in 1884.

The number of days lost by absence of teachers was 2,699,

an increase of 284 when compared with the corresponding month last year.

Appended to this report will be found a list of teachers in whose classes the absenteeism for the month was in excess of twenty per cent.

Very respectfully,

JOHN JASPER,
City Superintendent.

List of Teachers in whose classes the absenteeism was in excess of twenty per cent. during the month of March, 1885.

School.	Name of Teacher.	Per Cent.	School.	Name of Teacher.	Per Cent.
P. D.	12. F. Adler.....	26	G. D.	80. E. J. Graham.....	21
"	17. A. McCann... ..	25	P. S.	46. M. A. Gilchrist.....	26
"	29. E. M. Doyle... ..	21	"	46. M. Dominick	21
"	40. C. A. Geer.....	23	"	46. E. Murray.....	30

So much as relates to Evening Schools Nos. 29 and 81, referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From M. Alvin, relative to text-books for schools, and making suggestions thereon.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From the Ozone Machine Co., relative to apparatus for ventilation and disinfection by electricity.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

From F. R. Hall, making complaints against an employee of the Board.

Referred to the Auditing Committee.

From Michael Cahill, M. D., relative to the fulfillment of prophecy and the end of time.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

From the New York Delegation of the Turner-Bund of the United States, relative to the introduction of regular physical exercises in the Public Schools.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From the Tax Payers' Association of the Tenth, Eleventh and Seventeenth Wards, recommending the appointment of Henry Allen, for Trustee of the Seventeenth Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Nomination of Trustees.

From the *N. Y. World*, relative to contributions in aid of the Bartholdi Statue Fund, from the pupils of the schools under the care of the Board.

On motion of Commissioner WOOD—

Ordered, That the Clerk of the Board transmit to the *World* a copy of the proceedings of this Board in the case of similar applications hitherto made.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a communication from a former pupil of Grammar School No. 35, transmitting \$2, as follows :

F. W. DEVOE, Esq.,

Commissioner of Public Schools :

I enclose \$2, conscience money, which will cover principal and interest, on one box Gillott's steel pens, misappropriated some years ago from the supplies of Thirteenth street school.

This eases me up to date. Please put it into hands of the city, and greatly oblige,

Yours, with much relief,

AN OLD No. 35 BOY.

April 13th, 1885.

On motion of Commissioner DEVOE—

Ordered, That said sum of two dollars be added to the incidental fund of the office of the Board.

On motion of Commissioner SELIGMAN—

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes.

RESOLUTIONS TO BE REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Commissioner TAMSEN offered the following :

Resolved, That it be referred to the Counsel to the Corporation to advise the Board whether or not a resignation by a School Trustee, filed with the Board, operates as a termination of his tenure of office, without acceptance of the same or other action by this Board.

Adopted.

Commissioner CRAWFORD offered the following :

Resolved, That leave of absence from duty, with full pay, be granted to Dr. Paul Hoffman, Assistant Superintendent, for a period of six weeks from the period when he was disabled from active duty by his present severe illness.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch and Wood—19.

Commissioner DEVOE moved that the vote taken on March 18 (Journal, p. 201), authorizing the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward to rehire the room of the "Central Young Men's Christian Association of Yorkville," be reconsidered.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would reconsider the vote on the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Buildings, pages 200 and 201 of the Journal, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch and Wood—19.

Commissioner DEVOE moved to amend said resolution by striking out "Central Young Men's Christian Association of Yorkville," and inserting "The Young Men's Christian Association of the City of New York."

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said amendment, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee. found on page 201, as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Beardslee, Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch and Wood—19.

Commissioner BELL offered the following :

Whereas, It is thought desirable that the Board of Education should have the benefit of private counsel, and thus relieve the office of the Counsel to the Corporation from work which has heretofore been done by him in a very efficient and satisfactory manner, but of which he now is willing to be relieved ; and

Whereas, The permanent employment of a well trained and experienced attorney, thoroughly familiar with school law and government, at a moderate annual compensation, is, in the opinion of this Board, for the best public interest ; therefore,

Resolved, That Rufus G. Beardslee, Esq., be, and he is hereby appointed Counsel to the Board of Education, at a yearly compensation of three thousand dollars (\$3,000).

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Gallaway, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch and Wood—15.

Nays—Commissioners Crawford, Devoe and Holt—3.

Commissioner POMEROY moved a reconsideration of the resolution passed November 5, 1884, authorizing the purchase of a lot adjoining Primary Department Grammar School No. 60, Journal of 1884, pp. 807, 808.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch and Wood—18.

Commissioner POMEROY moved that the resolution be amended by striking out the description of the lot contained in the last four lines of page 807, and the first five lines of page 808, and by inserting in their place the following description :

“Beginning at a point on the westerly side of Courtland avenue, distant seventy-five feet from the southwesterly corner of Courtland avenue and East One Hundred and Forty-eighth street, as the lots are now enclosed; thence running westerly and parallel to East One Hundred and Forty-eighth street, ninety-four feet; thence southerly and parallel to Courtland avenue, to the northerly boundary line of the school property; thence easterly and along said boundary line of the school property to the westerly line of Courtland avenue; thence

northerly and along said westerly line of Courtland avenue to the point of beginning."

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said amendment, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Sites, pages 807, 808, Journal of 1884, as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch and Wood—18.

Commissioner POMEROY moved that the resolution to purchase property at Spuyten Duyvil, for \$3,125, Journal of 1884, pages 260 and 290, be reconsidered.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would reconsider said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch and Wood—18.

Commissioner POMEROY moved that the report be laid on the table.

Adopted.

REPORTS LAID OVER UNDER THE RULE.

The PRESIDENT announced for consideration the report of the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, denying the application from the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward to alter the plumbing work, etc., of Grammar School No. 11, Journal, p. 225.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Buildings, authorizing the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, to advertise for proposals for erecting an iron stairway on Grammar School No. 32, Journal, p. 226.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Buildings, paying James Reynolds \$55.11, for cleaning the new addition to Grammar School No. 33, Journal, p. 227.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Buildings, denying the application from the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, to hire the premises Nos. 114 and 116 Cannon street, Journal, p. 228.

On motion of Commissioner CRAWFORD—

Laid over and to retain its place on the schedule.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, excusing the absence of teachers with full pay, Journal, p. 229.

Commissioner POMEROY moved that the report be amended by striking out after the name of Miss Eliza Hussey "Jan. 17th to Feb. 17th," and inserting "Feb. 17th to March 17th."

Which was adopted.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch and Wood—18.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on School Furniture, denying applications from the Trustees of the Second, Fifth, Twelfth, Sixteenth and Twenty-second Wards, for the purchase of new pianos, Journal, pp. 229, 230.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, paying the bills of H. Fick and P. de Hoog, for repairs, etc., on Grammar School No. 35, Journal, pp. 230–231.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, paying Peter Kemmer \$22.67 for services as temporary janitor of Primary School No. 1, Journal, pp. 231 and 232.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, recommending an amendment to section 33, subdivision 9, of the By-Laws, Journal, p. 232.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, Journal, p. 232, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch and Wood—18.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, paying the bills of Ferd. Ehrhart and John Neal & Co., for repairs, etc., to Grammar School No. 25, Journal, p. 233.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Auditing Committee, paying the bill of R. Delaney, for carting furniture, etc., from Grammar School No. 59 to Grammar School No. 76, amounting to \$2.00, Journal, pp. 235, 236.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Finance Commit-

tee, appropriating \$890 for erecting an iron stairway to Grammar School No. 30, Journal, p. 236.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch and Wood—18.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Joint Committee on Buildings and Sites, relative to the legal proceedings necessary to secure the means required for new buildings, sites, &c., as follows :

To the Board of Education :

On the 18th day of March, 1885, the Board passed the following resolution :

“ Resolved, That the Joint Committee on Buildings and Sites forthwith confer with the Counsel to the Corporation regarding the necessary legislation to enable this Board to procure the necessary funds for the purchase of new sites, the erection of new school buildings and the alteration and repairing of school buildings ; the said Committee to have full power to submit to the Legislature, on behalf of this Board, and to procure the passage of all such laws as may be necessary to accomplish the purposes aforesaid.”

In pursuance of this resolution, the Joint Committee ascertained that the object contemplated by the said resolution could be attained by the passage of the following Act, and the same was prepared and sent to both branches of the Legislature :

AN ACT to provide additional accommodations for the Common Schools of the City of New York.

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows :

SECTION 1. The Board of Estimate and Apportionment of the City of New York is hereby authorized and directed to make an appropriation of the sum of nine hundred and ninety-one thousand dollars, to be used by the Board of Education of said city for the purchase of new school sites, for the erection of new school buildings, and additions to present school buildings, and for fitting up and furnishing the same, for the use of the Common Schools of the said City of New York, which appropriation shall be included in the final estimate made by said Board of Estimate and Apportionment for the year eighteen hundred and eighty-five, and shall be certified by the Comptroller of the City of New York to the Board of Aldermen of said city, as part of said estimate, in addition to the moneys appropriated to the said Board of Education in the said final estimate heretofore made by the said Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect immediately.

Subsequently and previous to the following meeting it was learned that the Mayor of the city was not in favor of the bill and members of this Board were informed by members of the Legislature that such was the case, and that a conference with him would be advisable.

At the next meeting of the Board the resolution previously passed was amended by adding thereto a direction that a conference with Mayor Grace should be had.

Your Committee thereupon proceeded to confer, through its sub-committee, with Mayor Grace, and then learned his unalterable opposition to the bill. An effort was made to induce him to withdraw his opposition, but wholly without success.

In view of this opposition, your Committee make this report of the facts, and ask for further instructions, or that the Board will decide what disposition shall be made of the matter.

It is proper to state that the Mayor is opposed to any legis-

lation which interferes with local administration in regard to the financial affairs of the city.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED. W. DEVOE,	} <i>Joint Committee on Buildings and Sites.</i>
G. SCHWAB,	
R. M. GALLAWAY,	
R. G. BEARDSLEE,	
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	
CHAS. L. HOLT,	
W. B. WALLACE,	

New York, April 15, 1885.

Commissioner DEVOE called for the reading of the report of the Special Committee on the same subject, which was read by the Clerk, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

At a stated session of this Board, held March 4th, 1885, the following resolution was offered by Commissioner SELIGMAN :

“ In view of the statement made in the Mayor’s message of last
 “ month, that during 1884 nearly eight thousand children
 “ were unable to gain admission to our public schools, be-
 “ cause of lack of room, and in view of the fact that our
 “ daily increasing population makes the building of more
 “ schools at an early day a necessity,”

“ *Resolved*, That a Committee of Three be appointed for the
 “ purpose of conferring with Mayor Grace, as to the most
 “ advisable and expeditious manner of acquiring funds for
 “ the construction of new buildings ; and that said Com-
 “ mittee be requested to make a written report at its
 “ earliest opportunity, as to what action, if any, the Board
 “ of Education ought to take to bring about the desired
 “ result.”

The Special Committee, consisting of Commissioners Seligman, Devoe, Beardslee, conferred with Mayor Grace, and are unanimously of the opinion that the only method by which money could now be acquired for the construction of new school buildings, would be by securing the passage of a bill by

the Legislature to open this year's tax levy. Inasmuch as the Board of Estimate and Apportionment declined to give the Board of Education any money last December for the purchase of new sites and the erection of school houses thereon, thinking that there would be found some way of utilizing the balance of the school bonds which remained unsold, the plain course the Board of Education ought to take is to secure the opening of said tax levy, were it not for the fact that Mayor Grace urges serious objections thereto, which objections are deserving of being carefully weighed by the Board of Education.

The Mayor deems it injudicious to open the tax levy for any need which the City of New York has at present. Among his reasons given are that opening the tax levy would prove an excuse for urging the Legislature to open the tax levy for bills unfavorably affecting the whole financial condition of the City of New York, and, that this city's interest demands that all moneys should be given by the local Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,	} <i>Special</i>
R. G. BEARDSLEE,	
F. W. DEVOE,	
	<i>Committee.</i>

Commissioner DEVOE asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said reports.

Commissioner WOOD offered the following, in connection with said reports :

Resolved, That the Board hereby renews its instructions found on page 213 of the Journal, to the Building Committee and Sites Committee (Amendment, pp. 214) in respect to Legislation as to funds for school building purposes.

Commissioner DEVOE moved that said resolution be laid over until the next meeting.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Devoe, Kelly, Simmons, Wallace and Welch—5.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Vermilye and Wood—13.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution offered by Commissioner Wood, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crawford, Gallaway, Perkins, Schwab, Tamsen and Wood—7.

Nays—Commissioners Bell, Devoe, Holt, Kelly, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Seligman, Simmons, Vermilye, Wallace and Welch—11.

Commissioner WELCH moved that Commissioner Devoe be excused from voting—which was lost.

Commissioner DEVOE moved that the two reports be printed in full in the minutes.

Which was adopted.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, relative to the appeal of two teachers of G. S. No. 81, Misses Florence T. Ray and J. Imogen Howard, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

In the matter of the appeal of Miss Florence T. Ray and Miss J. Imogen Howard, first and second assistants respectively in Grammar School No. 81, the Committee on Teachers respectfully report :

Prior to May 5, 1884, Grammar School No. 81 was known as Colored School No. 4. By an Act of the Legislature passed on the above date, and which may be found printed in the Journal of this Board for the year 1884, page 433, an important change in the legal status of the Colored schools in this city was effected.

The attention of the Board having been called to this act by the Corporation Counsel it was referred to the Committee on By-Laws, &c. See Journal, 1884, p. 434.

Subsequently the By-Laws Committee made a report recommending certain changes in the By-Laws deemed to have been

made necessary by the action of the Legislature. This report is printed in the Journal of 1884, page 498, and was adopted, with amendments, June 25, 1884. See Journal, 1884, page 591.

By the fourth resolution of this report as finally adopted, the School Trustees of the Sixteenth and Twenty-second Wards were directed to file schedules of salaries to be paid to the teachers in the schools previously known as Colored Schools Nos. 3 and 4, as required by section 33, subdivision 5 of the by-laws, based upon the average attendance of pupils for 1883, as of the date May 5, 1884.

This resolution was complied with in due time by the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, and, Grammar School No. 81, being a Mixed Grammar School where boys and girls are instructed in the same class, and where no male assistant is employed, Miss Ray, the First Assistant (who teaches the first grammar grade alone or in connection with other grades), was allowed on the schedule filed a salary of \$1,200, and Miss Howard, the Second Assistant, a salary of \$762.50 under section 35, subdivision 3 of the by-laws as the same then read.

The members of the Board will recollect that the course of action just stated was based upon their interpretation of the Act of the Legislature referred to.

It was supposed by most of us that this act effaced all the distinctions previously existing between Colored and other schools, and that after May 5, 1884, the Colored Schools became Ward Schools merely, subject in all respects as other Ward Schools are, to all the by-laws of the Board of Education. Our action in the premises conformed to this understanding of the new law.

The allowance of Miss Ray's salary at \$1,200, and of Miss Howard's at \$762.50 was a necessary result of the resolutions adopted June 25, 1884, already noticed.

Another equally necessary result of those resolutions was, that the salaries of some teachers in the Colored Schools became less than they had been prior to May 5, 1884, while other teachers were dropped according to the usual rule relating to average attendance.

This circumstance led to a mandamus proceeding in behalf of a teacher in another Colored School in which the teacher was successful. An opinion was handed down by Justice Lawrence (see Journal, 1885, pp. 24, 25), in which the act of May 5, 1884, in question, is considered at length.

The relator had been dropped under our by-laws. It was held by the Court that the Legislature intended to continue the teachers in the Colored Schools, who were such on May 5, 1884, until they were removed.

It was also held that the relator should continue to receive the same salary which she had received prior to May 5, 1884.

By advice of the Corporation Counsel no appeal was taken from this decision.

In a communication from Mr. Lacombe, received January 14, 1885 (see Journal 1885, p. 21), he says, on page 23, that he is of opinion that "it was error to assume that the number of teachers and salaries in the schools in question was so controlled by the by-laws * * as to authorize * * the vacation of the position of any teacher in service at the time of the change, or the *modification of the salary of such teacher.*"

It is obvious that the fourth resolution passed by this Board, June 25, 1884, printed on page 498, Journal of 1884, and already referred to, was contrary to the interpretation of the act of May 5, 1884, adopted by the Supreme Court.

Accordingly, after the matter had been carefully considered by the By-Laws Committee, a resolution was submitted by that Committee and adopted by this Board, February 18, 1885, (see Journal, 1885, p. 157), providing that the salaries of the assistant teachers in Grammar Schools 80 and 81 should be and continue from May 5, 1884, the same as paid at the time of the passage of chapter 248 of the Laws of 1884, and that all by-laws, &c., inconsistent, &c., be suspended.

The effect of this resolution was to restore the old pay-rolls of the schools affected.

As Miss Ray and Miss Howard received more under our by-laws than upon the old pay-roll, they appeal from the resolution. The appeal is without merit.

A law was passed in the interest of colored teachers and by the influence of colored people, which withdrew the salaries in Colored Schools from the operation of our by-laws.

Now, we are asked by the people who had the law passed, to disregard it.

The motive is evident; it being an attempt to grasp the advantages and escape the disadvantages of conforming to the by-laws of the Board.

We recommend that the appeal be dismissed, and submit the following resolution for adoption:

Resolved, That the appeals of Miss Florence T. Ray and Miss J. Imogen Howard from the action of the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward in relation to their salaries be and the same are hereby severally dismissed.

EUGENE H. POMEROY,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		

Laid over under the rule.

On motion of Commissioner POMEROY—

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Buildings, recommending an appropriation of one hundred and thirty-four dollars (\$134), for the payment of a bill incurred by the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, for paving and regulating the street curb, at Grammar School Building No. 77, in 1884; stating, that the Board has the financial ability to appropriate the sum named from the funds of 1884, as recommended. The report of the Committee on Buildings is on pages 227, 228 of the Journal.

J. D. VERMILYE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
DE WITT J. SELIGMAN,		
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		
ISAAC BELL,		
EUGENE KELLY,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner GALLAWAY presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, to establish a Mixed Senior and Junior Evening School for Females in G. S. No. 19; stating, that a Female Evening School for juniors is located in this building, and is doing good work. It would be unwise to change its present organization.

The Committee are also of opinion that there is no apparent need for a Female Evening School for seniors in this Ward.

The Committee recommend that the application be denied, and submit the following resolution for adoption:

Resolved, That the application from the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward to establish a Mixed (Senior and Junior) Evening School for Females in Grammar School No. 19, be, and the same is hereby denied.

R. G. BEARDSLEE,	} Committee on Evening Schools.
R. M. GALLAWAY,	
W. J. WELCH,	

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the City Superintendent, reporting Miss Annie M. Phelan, an Assistant Teacher in Primary Department G. S. No. 70, for a violation of the by-law prohibiting corporal punishment; stating, that the Principal of the School and Miss Phelan appeared before the Committee. Miss Phelan acknowledged that she had violated the by-law referred to. After hearing all the facts in the case, the Committee have concluded to recommend that Miss Phelan be fined five days' pay, and submit the following resolution for adoption:

Resolved, That Miss Annie M. Phelan, an Assistant Teacher in Primary Department Grammar School No. 70, be fined five days' pay, for violation of the by-law prohibiting corporal punishment.

EUGENE H. POMEROY,	} Committee on Teachers.
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	
WILLIAM WOOD,	

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the application of the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, to pay the salary of the late Thomas F. Carley, from March 6 to 31st, inclusive ; stating that Mr. Carley, a Teacher in G. S. No. 40, died on March 6th, and this Board has no power to pay the salary after death. The Committtee, however, recommend that Mr. Carley's salary, up to the date of his death, be paid to his legal representatives, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the salary of Thomas F. Carley, late Teacher in Grammar School No. 40, to March 6th, the date of his death, be paid to his legal representatives.

EUGENE H. POMEROY,
EUGENE KELLY,
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,
WILLIAM WOOD,

}

Committee
on
Teachers.

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom were referred applications from Trustees, to excuse the absence of teachers, with full pay ; stating, that the cause of absence in each case reported herein is personal illness.

A statement is submitted, showing the record of each applicant for the past five years.

The Committee recommend that the absences be excused, with full pay, for the time stated in the column "Time allowed," in the following resolution, which is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the following-named teachers be excused for absence, with full pay, for the "time allowed" herein :

WARD.	School.	Name.	Time Allowed.	Years of Service.	Instruc- tion.	Disci- pline.	No. Days Lost.	Exc. with full pay.
1st.	M. D. 29.	Thos. E. Cody.....	14 d. March...	30	Ex.....	Ex.....	50	20 d.
	P. D. 29.	Kate Corbett.....	6 d. March..	16	{ Good...4 y. Good..4 y. }	{ Ex.....1 y. Ex....1 y. }	121	51 d.
10th.	F. D. 7.	Sarah Price.....	7 d. March..	19	Ex.	Ex.....	24	19 d.
	P. D. 20.	Cornelia D. Banta.....	20 d. March..	24	{ Good...3 y. }	{ Ex.....1 y. Ex.....4 y. }	76	42 d.
					{ Not examined.....1 y. }			
	M. D. 20.	Evelyn A. Holly.....	8½ d. March..	10	{ Good...2 y. }	{ Ex.....3 y. Ex..... }	41	.....

WARD.	School.	Name.	Time Allowed.	Years of Service.	Instruction.	Discipline.	No. Days Lost.	Exc. with full pay.
12th.	F. D. 78.	Annie T. Smart.....	13 d. Jan.....	5	{ Good...1 y..... Ex.....1 y.Ex...2 y. Not ex...1 y.N'tem.2y. }		30	.....
15th.	F. D. 10.	Pauline Vergnes.....	16 d. March..	8	{ Good...2 y.Good.1 y. Ex.....3 y.Ex....4 y. }		42	.....
	M. D. 10.	C. A. Morgan.....	3 d. March..	25	Ex.....	Ex.....	134	3 d.
	F. D. 10.	C. Lockman.....	22 d. March..	16	Ex.....	Ex.....	25	19 d.
	F. D. 47.	Eliza Mattison.....	11 d. March..	6	Ex.....	Ex.....	35	.....
18th.	F. D. 50.	Mary A. Haggerty.....	½ d. March..	6	Ex.....	Ex.....	6	.....
19th.	P. D. 18.	Jennie L. Murphy.....	10 d. March..	11	Ex.....	Ex.....	55	.....
	P. D. 27.	Mary J. Galpin.....	3 d. March..	7	Ex.....	Ex.....	43	13 d.
	F. D. 53.	Eliza Antisell.....	8 d. March..	12	{ Good...1 y..... Ex.....4 y.Ex..... }		54	46 d.
	P. D. 70.	E. B. Mahoney.....	8 d. March..	24	Ex.....	Ex.....	46	20 d.
	F. D. 73.	M. C. Seebach.....	4 d. March..	13	{ Ex.....4 y..... Good...1 y.Ex..... }		48	.....
	P. D. 74.	Kate C. Ryan.....	3 d. March..	14	Ex.....	Ex.....	15	.....
	M. D. 77.	M. A. Cowhey.....	5 d. March..	14	Ex.....	Ex.....	34	7 d.
22d.	P. D. 28.	Charlotte Hart.....	12 d. March..	15	Ex... ..	Ex.....	26	8 d.
	P. D. 51.	Ella Coddington.....	4 d. March..	6	{ Fair....1 y..... Ex.....3 y.Ex....4 y. Not examined....1 y. }		30	.....
	P. D. 67.	Lucy McNespice.....	5 d. March..	17	{ Good...2 y..... Ex.....3 y.Ex..... }		23	.....
	M. D. 69.	Emma Burnett.....	6 d. March..	8	{ Ex.....3 y..... Good...1 y.Ex...4 y. Not examined....1 y. }		17	2 d.
	F. D. 69.	Annie M. Hoffman.....	6 d. March..	23	Management Excellent.		3	.....

EUGENE H. POMEROY,
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,
WILLIAM WOOD,
EUGENE KELLY,

} Committee
on
Teachers.

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner WELCH presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, to whom was referred the resolution of Commissioner Schmitt, in reference to the appointment of teachers of Vocal Music in Female Evening Schools; stating, that having given the matter due consideration, and are of opinion that such appointments would be of benefit to the pupils in these schools. They, therefore, offer for adoption a resolution authorizing said appointments :

Resolved, That hereafter the Trustees of the several Wards nominate among the regular teachers for the Female Evening Schools, at least one teacher, who possesses a certificate from the City Superintendent of Schools, certifying to her

competency to teach vocal music. The said Trustees, in their certificate or resolution of nomination, shall designate the person so qualified, and shall assign her to perform the duty of teaching vocal music as allowed by the by-laws of the Board of Education.

R. G. BEARDSLEE,	} Committee on Evening Schools.
R. M. GALLAWAY,	
HENRY SCHMITT,	
W. J. WELCH,	

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the application of the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, for authority to excavate and remove the rock on lots recently purchased on the southeast corner of Ninety-sixth street and Lexington avenue; stating, that as soon as sufficient funds may be obtained for the purpose, it is the design of the Board to erect a school building on this site, and in order to expedite the matter of erecting such building, it is proposed to excavate and remove the rock from the lots.

The Committee recommend that the application be granted, and submit the following resolution for adoption:

Resolved, That the School Trustees of the Twelfth Ward be and they hereby are authorized to advertise in the *City Record*, for two weeks, for proposals for excavating and removing the rock from the lots recently purchased on the southeast corner of Ninety-sixth street and Lexington avenue. Plans and specifications to be prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the Committee on Buildings and Trustees of said Ward.

F. W. DEVOE,	} Committee on Buildings.
G. SCHWAB,	
R. M. GALLAWAY,	
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the application of the

Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, to rehire the premises of P. D. G. S. No. 83, corner of One Hundred and Fifth street and Third avenue, from month to month, from May 1, until the completion of the new building at East One Hundred and Tenth street; stating, that these premises will be required until the completion of the new building on East One Hundred and Tenth street, to which this school is to be transferred.

The Committee are informed that under the terms of the will of the late Mr. McGown, the property is to be sold before July 23d.

It is recommended that the premises be rehired from month to month, at a rent of \$166.66 per month, but not longer than the completion of the new building in East One Hundred and Tenth street, being the same rent as at present paid, and that this Board require ten days' notice to surrender the same, and be entitled to vacate upon ten days' notice.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the School Trustees of the Twelfth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to rehire the premises on the northwest corner of One Hundred and Fifth street and Third avenue, occupied by Primary Department of Grammar School No. 83, from month to month, from May 1, 1885, with privilege of renewals, but not longer than the completion of the new building on East One Hundred and Tenth street, at a rent of \$166.66 per month, the Trustees to require at least ten days' notice to vacate the same, and be entitled to vacate the same on ten days' notice to the owner. The other conditions of the lease applicable to be the same as those now in force.

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
G. SCHWAB,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		

Commissioner DEVOE asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would

adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch and Wood—18.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom were referred applications from Trustees to rehire premises for one year from May 1, as follows :

6th Ward—32 City Hall Place, G. S. No. 23, \$1,000 per annum
101 Bayard street, P. S. No. 2, \$1,250 per annum
taxes and assessments.

12th Ward—East Eighty-eighth street, P. S. No. 42, \$2,800 per annum, and taxes.

24th Ward—Woodlawn, P. S. No. 48, \$250 per annum.

It is necessary that these premises, the leases of which will expire on May 1st, should be rehired.

The terms under which it is proposed to rehire these premises are the same in each case, as are stipulated in the present lease, with the exception of No. 101 Bayard street, for which an advance of \$50 per annum is demanded.

The Committee recommend that these premises be rehired and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the School Trustees for the Sixth, Twelfth and Twenty-fourth Wards be, and they hereby are authorized to rehire the following described premises for one year from May 1, 1885, on the terms as stated herein :

6th Ward—32 City Hall Place, occupied as a branch Grammar School No. 23, at an annual rent of one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

6th Ward—101 Bayard street, occupied by Primary School No. 2, at an annual rent of twelve hundred and fifty dollars (\$1,250), taxes and assessments.

12th Ward—Premises on East Eighty-eighth street, o

cupied by Primary School No. 42, at an annual rent of twenty-eight hundred dollars (\$2,800), and taxes.

24th Ward—Premises at Woodlawn, occupied by Primary School No. 48, at an annual rent of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250).

The other conditions of the respective leases applicable, to be the same as those now in force.

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
GUSTAV SCHWAB,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		

Commissioner DEVOE asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

Commissioner WOOD called for a division of the question.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt so much of the resolution attached to the report of the Committee as relates to G. S. No. 23, P. S. No. 2, and P. S. No. 42, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch and Wood—18.

On motion of Commissioner WOOD so much as relates to the School at Woodlawn, P. S. No. 48, was referred to the Committee on Teachers.

Commissioner TAMSEN presented a report from the Committee on Nomination of Trustees, to whom were referred the resignations of School Trustees George Hey, of the Tenth Ward ; Henry P. West, of the Fourteenth Ward ; Patrick Horgan, of the Seventeenth Ward ; Henry R. Beekman, of the Eighteenth Ward ; and Wm. Meikleham, of the Twenty-fourth Ward, recommending that said resignations be accepted ; and that the vacancies thus made be filled by the appointment of the gentlemen named in the resolution herewith submitted for your consideration :

Resolved, That Frank A. Spencer, residence No. 21 Eldridge

street, be and he hereby is appointed Trustee of Common Schools for the Tenth (10th) Ward, *vice* George Hey, resigned, to hold office until the first day of January, eighteen hundred and eighty-seven (1887); that Charles M. Clancy, residence No. 65 Prince street, be and he hereby is appointed Trustee of Common Schools for the Fourteenth (14th) Ward, *vice* Henry P. West, resigned, to hold office until the first day of January, eighteen hundred and eighty-nine (1889); that Henry Allen, residence No. 230 E. Twelfth street, be and he hereby is appointed Trustee of Common Schools for the Seventeenth (17th) Ward, *vice* Patrick Horgan, resigned, to hold office until the first day of January, eighteen hundred and eighty-seven (1887); that Augustus G. Vanderpoel, residence No. 309 East Twentieth street, be and he hereby is appointed Trustee of Common Schools for the Eighteenth Ward, *vice* Henry R. Beekman, resigned, to hold office until the first day of January, eighteen hundred and ninety (1890); that John E. Eustis, residence Morris Dock, be and he hereby is appointed Trustee of Common Schools for the Twenty-fourth (24th) Ward, *vice* Wm. Meikleham, resigned, to hold office until the first day of January, eighteen hundred and eighty-eight (1888); said appointments being made by and in pursuance of the authority conferred upon this Board by section 1025 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882.

The Committee further report that the business of Mr. Spencer is clerk; of Mr. Clancy, Civil Justice; of Mr. Allen, glassware; of Mr. Vanderpoel, attorney-at-law; of Mr. Eustis, attorney-at-law.

EDWARD J. H. TAMSEN,	}	<i>Committee on Nomination of Trustees.</i>
J. D. VERMILYE,		
R. G. BEARDSLEE,		
ISAAC BELL,		
H. B. WALLACE,		
H. B. PERKINS,		

Laid over under the rule.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Commissioner SCHMITT asked consent of the Board to permit him to change his vote on the appointment of Rufus G. Beardslee, as Counsel to the Board.

Commissioner SIMMONS rose to a question of order, that the appointment having been made, and the vote recorded, Commission Schmitt could not then change his vote.

The PRESIDENT decided the point of order well taken.

Commissioner SCHMITT moved that the vote by which Rufus G. BEARDSLEE was appointed counsel to the Board, be reconsidered.

The PRESIDENT ruled that said motion was not in order. The office having been created, and the officer appointed, the only proper remedy would be a motion for the removal of the gentleman named.

Commissioner DEVOE appealed from the decision of the Chair.

Commissioner WOOD moved that said appeal be laid on the table.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner WOOD, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Gallaway, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schwab, Simmons, Tamsen, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch and Wood—12.

Nays—Commissioners Devoe, Holt, Kelly, Schmitt and Seligman—5.

The PRESIDENT asked to be and was excused from voting.

Commissioner SCHMITT asked unanimous consent for permission to have his name recorded in the negative on the question of appointing Counsel to the Board.

Commissioner SIMMONS objected, for the reason heretofore stated.

Commissioner SCHMITT offered the following :

Resolved, That Commissioner SCHMITT and Commissioner KELLY be recorded on the Minutes of the present meeting as voting in the negative on the resolution appointing a counsel to this Board.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the negative, a majority not voting therefor, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crawford, Devoe, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Wallace—9.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Gallaway, Pomeroy, Simmons, Tamsen, Vermilye, Welch and Wood—9.

Commissioner SCHMITT offered the following :

Resolved, That this Board hereby expresses its disapproval of the bill now pending before the Legislature of this State commonly known as the "Cantor Bill,"—Assembly Bill No. 71—being "An Act to amend subdivision three of section one thousand and twenty-seven, of chapter four hundred and ten, of the laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-two, entitled 'An Act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York.'"

Resolved, That a Special Committee of Three be appointed, with full power for the purpose of opposing the passage of said bill, and to procure the passage of the bill now pending before the Legislature to increase the rate of interest on the School House Bonds.

Commissioner DEVOE called for a division of the question, which was allowed.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the first resolution disapproving Assembly Bill No. 71, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the second resolution as offered by Commissioner SCHMITT, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch and Wood—16.

Nays—Commissioners Holt and Kelly—2.

The PRESIDENT appointed Commissioners SCHMITT, CRAWFORD and WOOD as said Special Committee.

Commissioner SELIGMAN moved that a copy of the resolution disapproving the Assembly Bill No. 71 be transmitted to the Senate of this State, now in session.

Which was adopted.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Commissioner WOOD—

The Board adjourned.

LAWRENCE D. KIERNAN,

Clerk.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 6, 1885.

STATED SESSION.

Present—Commissioners BELL, CRARY, CRAWFORD, DEVOE, GALLAWAY, HOLT, KELLY, PERKINS, POMEROY, SCHMITT, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, SIMMONS, TAMSEN, TRAUD, VERMILYE, WALLACE, WELCH, WETMORE and WOOD—20.

Absent—STEPHEN A. WALKER, Esq., President—1.

In the absence of the PRESIDENT, the Board was called to order by the CLERK.

On motion of Commissioner BELL—

Commissioner SIMMONS was chosen PRESIDENT *pro tem*.

On motion of Commissioner WOOD—

The PRESIDENT was excused for absence from this meeting of the Board.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem*. put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the session held on April 15th, as printed in the Journal, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT *pro tem*., and Commissioners BELL, CRARY, DEVOE, GALLAWAY, HOLT, KELLY, PERKINS, POMEROY, SCHMITT, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, TAMSEN, TRAUD, VERMILYE, WELCH, WETMORE and WOOD—18.

COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem*. laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Trustees of the First, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh,

Eighth, Ninth, Tenth, Twelfth, Thirteenth, Fifteenth, Sixteenth, Seventeenth, Eighteenth, Nineteenth, Twentieth, Twenty-first, Twenty-second, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, relative to repairs, &c., to be done during the summer vacation.

So much as relates to buildings referred to the Committee on Buildings.

So much as relates to furniture referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

So much as relates to heating apparatus referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

From the Trustees of the First, Fourth, Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, Ninth, Tenth, Eleventh, Twelfth, Thirteenth, Fifteenth, Sixteenth, Seventeenth, Eighteenth, Nineteenth, Twentieth, Twenty-first, Twenty-second and Twenty-third Wards, to excuse the absence of teachers, &c.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power conferred by the by-laws.

From the Trustees of the Fifth Ward, for repairs to the pianos in G. S. No. 44 and P. S. No. 11.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, nominating Miss Mary T. Lawlor for Principal of P. S. No. 8, in place of Mrs. Anna C. McHugh, deceased.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, asking for new heating apparatus for G. S. No. 31.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

From the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, asking for a new piano for P. D. G. S. No. 12.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, notifying the Board of the election of Samuel Oregar, M. D., as Chairman, in place

of John C. Limbeck, resigned, and of F. W. Murphy as Secretary.

Ordered, That said communication be placed on file.

From the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, recommending the appointment of Lewis S. Goebel for Trustee of Common Schools for said Ward, in place of John C. Limbeck, resigned on account of removal from the Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Nomination of Trustees.

From the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, asking for the purchase of a new site for P. S. No. 3, &c.

Referred to the Committee on Sites and New Schools.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking for a new piano for P. D. G. S. No. 37.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, for authority to re-hire the premises of P. D. G. S. No. 83 for one year from May 1, 1885.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, transmitting a bill of the New York Turn Verein for rent of premises occupied by P. S. No. 6, Nos. 15 and 17 East Third street.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, asking that Miss Annie L. Roy, P. S. No. 29, be paid for services from January 1 to January 19, 1885.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, nominating George E. Hardy for the Principalship of the Male Department, and Miss Annie M. Walsh for Principal of the Primary Department, of G. S. No. 82.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, recommending Mr. George E. Hardy for appointment as Principal.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, for authority to advertise for proposals for heating apparatus for the new addition to G. S. No. 32.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, for authority to advertise for proposals for new furniture for the addition to G. S. No. 32.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, notifying the Board of the sale of the premises No. 252 West Forty-second street, occupied by G. S. No. 80.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, asking for a steam heating apparatus in G. S. building No. 67.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, asking for payment of the bill of Dr. Charles Liebenau for professional services rendered to a pupil in G. S. No. 61.

Referred to the Auditing Committee.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, for permission to admit female pupils over eighteen years of age to Evening School No. 62.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, for authority to advertise for proposals for erecting an addition to G. S. No. 62.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, for permission

to organize a class in E. S. No. 62, for instruction in Mechanical and Industrial Drawing.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

CITY SUPERINTENDENT.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* laid before the Board the report of the operations of the Truancy Department for the month of April, as follows :

CITY SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, }
NEW YORK, *May 6th*, 1885. }

To the Honorable the Board of Education :

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to submit herewith the report of the Truancy Department for the month of April last.

The total number of visits was 2,794.

The number of cases investigated and closed was 1,448.

Of this number, 320 reported as truants, and 148 as non-attendants, were placed in school.

A detailed statement of the month's work is annexed to the report.

The Department has just completed a careful census of all children between the ages of five and fourteen years residing in the Fourteenth Ward.

The returns show that 4,348 children, between the ages of five and fourteen years, reside in the Ward, and that 3,583 attend school. Of the 765 non-attendants, 498 are under eight years of age, and are not therefore amenable to the law.

There are at the present time 267 children in the Ward not complying with the provisions of the law, and steps will be immediately taken to secure their attendance at school.

Appended will be found a table giving full statistics in relation to this census.

Very respectfully,

JOHN JASPER,

City Superintendent.

SCHEDULE.

Total number of visits made.....		2
To homes.....	1,884	
“ schools.....	797	
“ stores and factories.....	113	
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Total.....		<hr/> 2
Total number of cases investigated and closed		1
Children kept at home by parents.....	430	
“ “ “ sickness.....	223	
“ “ “ poverty.....	41	
“ taught at home.....	1	
“ physically or mentally disqualified.	5	
“ transferred from one school to another.....	48	
“ under eight and over fourteen years of age.....	42	
“ withdrawn from school { left the city	9	
“ “ “ gone to work	31	
“ whose residences could not be found.	136	
Truants returned to school.....	320	
“ committed to Reformatory Institu- tions by parents through agents..	8	
Non-attendants placed in school.....	148	
“ “ committed to Reformatory Institutions by parents through agents.....	4	
Committed to New York Catholic Protectory	1	
Brought before a Justice and discharged....	1	
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Total.....		<hr/> 1

Table showing the School Population of the Fourteenth Ward between the ages of five and fourteen years; also the School Attendance, Nativity of Parents, and so forth.

	Native White.		Foreign White.		Colored.		Total.	Attend School.	Do not attend School.	Nativity of Children.	Nativity of Children, with respect to Nativity of Parents.
	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.					
Years	168	161	47	57		2	445	188	262	U. S., 3398	U. S., 687 Austria, 4
6 "	186	178	58	60	1	3	496	345	151	Ireland, 80	Irel'd, 1635 Holland, 5
7 "	199	207	82	87		1	546	464	85	Germ'y, 92	Germ'y 890 Hungary, 5
8 "	199	205	66	53	4	1	528	490	38	Engl'd, 52	Engl'd, 95 Prussia, 14
9 "	207	186	44	42	2	1	483	455	28	Italy, 683	France, 56 Belgium, 2
10 "	213	201	41	47		2	504	464	40	Russia, 17	Russia, 39 Cuba, 3
11 "	182	197	35	40		1	455	419	36	France, 17	Scot'l'd, 8
12 "	174	210	26	41	1	1	463	426	37	Poland, 2	Spain, 3 E. Indies, 3
13 "	162	196	42	28	1	2	428	340	88	Sweden, 7	Italy, 677
										Scot'l'd, 3	Norway, 2
	1690	1743	461	480	10	14	4348	3583	765	Sw'iz'd, 6	Denm'k, 3
										Prussia, 2	Sweden, 10
										Canada, 2	Canada, 6
										Wales, 1	Switz'l'd, 21
										Denm'k, 1	Poland, 29
										Belgium, 5	Wales, 1
										Total, 4348	At'd Pub. Schools 2549
											" Par'ch'l " 974
											" Private, " 60
											Total..... 3583

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

FROM THE MAYOR.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* laid before the Board the following communication, appointing CHARLES CRABY a Commissioner of Common Schools:

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, April 17th, 1885. }

To the Board of Education:

I have this day appointed CHARLES CRABY a Commissioner of

Common Schools in the City of New York, in place of William M. Ivins, resigned.

Yours respectfully,

W. R. GRACE,
Mayor.

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* laid before the Board the following communication, appointing FERDINAND TRAUD Commissioner of Common Schools :

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, April 23d, 1885. }

To the Board of Education :

I have this day appointed FERDINAND TRAUD a Commissioner of Common Schools in the City of New York, in place of Rufus G. Beardslee, resigned.

Yours respectfully,

W. R. GRACE,
Mayor.

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced the appointments made by the President of Commissioners CRARY and TRAUD to fill respectively the vacancies on the Standing Committees of the Board of which Commissioners IVINS and BEARDSLEE were members.

By unanimous consent, Commissioner WOOD offered the following minute in connection with said communications :

MR. PRESIDENT—We part this evening with two of our associates who have both done good service in the cause of popular education.

WM. M. IVINS, Esq., although one of the latest appointments of Mayor Grace during his first Mayoralty, has, during the comparatively short period of his service, taken an active, energetic and intelligent part in his work. He and I have been

frequently opposed to each other in this Board ; but in our verbal conflicts I have ever experienced

“ The joy that warriors feel
In foemen worthy of their steel.”

To him the words of the Latin poet may be justly applied :

“ Impiger, iracundus, inexorabilis, acer.”

The other gentleman—

RUFUS G. BEARDSLEE, Esq., was one of the so-called “Twelve Apostles,” although not one of the original twelve nominees, but successor to Judge Hooper C. Van Vorst, on 3d December, 1872 ; and since that time he has been uninterruptedly a member of this Board until his resignation last month, rendering, during that long period, careful and constant service to the cause of public education, and more especially to the cause of *higher* education for both sexes, with unswerving and chivalrous devotion worthy of our profound respect.

We regret the severance of the ties which bound us to both gentlemen, and I hope, Mr. PRESIDENT, that the Board will permit these remarks which I have made regarding them to be entered on its minutes as a testimony of our feelings on the subject, and I move that they be so entered.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner Wood, and it was decided in the affirmative.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* laid before the Board the following communications :

From RUFUS G. BEARDSLEE, Esq., accepting his appointment as Counsel to the Board, as follows :

106 BROADWAY,
NEW YORK, April 16, 1885. }

DEAR SIR—I have received your communication of this date,

transmitting a copy of the resolution adopted by the Board of Education on the 15th inst., appointing me to the position of Counsel to the Board.

Please convey to the Board my thanks for this mark of confidence, and my assurance that I will endeavor to discharge the responsible duties of the position in a satisfactory manner.

Although I have with regret terminated my relations as a member of the Board, after a continuous service since my first appointment as Commissioner in the year 1872, during which time I have received so much kindness and consideration from my colleagues, and from all connected with the administration of school affairs, I am glad that I am placed in a position where I can render such service as I hope will be for the substantial benefit of the interests committed to the charge of the Board.

Thanking you for your personal kindness, courtesy, and good wishes, I am,

Very respectfully and truly yours,

RUFUS G. BEARDSLEE.

HON. LAWRENCE D. KIERNAN,

Clerk of the Board of Education.

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes.

From Hon. William Dowd and others, recommending the appointment of P. J. McCue, as Trustee of Common Schools of the Eleventh Ward, in place of John C. Limbeck, resigned.

Referred to the Committee on Nomination of Trustees.

From John C. Limbeck, resigning the office of Trustee of Common Schools for the Eleventh Ward, as follows :

NEW YORK, *May 1, 1885.*

To the Board of Education of the City of New York :

GENTLEMEN—A change of residence necessitates my resignation as a member of the Board of School Officers of the Eleventh Ward.

In closing my official connection with the Public Schools of New York, a connection extending over a period of thirteen

years, I am acting only in accordance with a sense of duty in expressing my appreciation of the uniform courtesy and consideration which I have received at your hands, whenever the duties of my position as Trustee, or the requirements of the schools under my supervision have brought us into communication.

I trust it may not be considered out of place to state that so far as my experience has extended, while a judicious economy has always been observed, and the public interest guarded with a jealous scrutiny, the necessities of the children, their welfare, happiness and improvement have always commanded the foremost place in your consideration.

To the City Superintendent and his associates, for whose valuable advice and hearty co-operation I have been indebted on many occasions, I desire to proffer my earnest acknowledgments.

The polite attention and courteous treatment received at all times from the Clerk of the Board, and his very gentlemanly and efficient corps of assistants, and indeed from all the attachés of the Department, have been duly appreciated, and will always be gratefully remembered.

Trusting that this communication may be received in the same spirit in which it is tendered, and with the hope that you may long continue in the prosecution and advancement of the noble work entrusted to your charge,

I am, gentlemen,

Very respectfully yours,

J. C. LIMBECK.

On motion of Commissioner POMEROY—

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes.

From George B. Riggins, relative to M. L. Phillips, one of the Trustees of Common Schools of the Eleventh Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Nomination of Trustees.

From Charles Crary, resigning the office of Trustee of Common Schools for the Twelfth Ward, as follows :

NEW YORK, May 6, 1885.

To the Board of Education :

I hereby resign my office of School Trustee of the Twelfth Ward.

Respectfully,

CHARLES CRARY.

Referred to the Committee on Nomination of Trustees.

On motion of Commissioner Wood—

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes.

From W. H. Townley, Chairman of Board of Trustees of Schools for the Seventh Ward, relative to G. S. No. 2, as follows :

APRIL 29, 1885.

STEPHEN A. WALKER, Esq.,

President of the Board of Education:

MY DEAR SIR—Immediately on receipt of your letter of yesterday, relative to the sanitary condition of certain class-rooms in Grammar School No. 2, I took steps to have the transfer you suggested properly made. I am glad that your attention has been called to this matter, and thank you for your prompt and energetic action. The Trustees have often pointed out the defects of the old school, and while they believe that your Board has done the best it could, they rejoice that you are alive to the necessities of the case.

Very truly yours,

W. H. TOWNLEY.

On motion of Commissioner WELCH—

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes.

From citizens of the Tenth Ward, relative to disreputable premises near G. S. No. 20, in Chrystie street.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From two Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, recommending Frank J. Coleman for Principal of Male Department Grammar School No. 82, and Miss Clarine J. Hoyt for Principal of the Primary Department of said school.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From Janitors of the Public Schools, relative to an increase in their salaries.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Fire Department, relative to repairs needed at the Hall of the Board.

Referred to the Auditing Committee.

From Gilbert B. Hendrickson, appealing from the action of the City Superintendent.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

RESOLUTIONS TO BE REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Commissioner VERMILYE offered the following :

Whereas, The Comptroller requires from this Board a special requisition upon the proceeds derived from the sale of School House Bonds, therefore,

Resolved, That the requisition provided by section 4 of chapter 458 of the Laws of 1884, is hereby made upon the Comptroller for the payment of the several instalments herein named as they may become due, in liquidation of the contract entered into by the School Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, under the authority of this Board, with George B. Christman, dated the 11th day of December, 1884, for the erection of a new school house on the south side of East One Hundred and Tenth street, to be paid from the proceeds derived from the sale of School House Bonds, viz. :

For the first instalment	\$9,500 00
For the second instalment	10,000 00

For the third instalment.....	\$9,500 00
For the fourth instalment... ..	10,000 00
For the fifth instalment.....	9,500 00
For the sixth instalment.....	9,500 00
For the seventh instalment.....	9,500 00
For the eighth instalment	9,500 00
For the ninth instalment.... ..	9,000 00
For the tenth instalment.....	9,000 00
For the eleventh instalment.....	9,000 00
For the twelfth instalment.....	8,889 00

Total amount..... \$112,889 00

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—19.

Commissioner VERMILYE offered the following :

Whereas, The Comptroller declines to pay the bills incurred for extra work in the erection of Grammar School buildings Nos. 76, 77 and 78, from the general fund of 1883, the year in which the contracts for said work were entered into, deeming that said payments should be from a special fund apportioned for such purposes ; therefore,

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and they hereby are requested to transfer from the amount of schools moneys, \$3,300,000, apportioned for the year 1883 to be used for general purposes, as stated in their "final estimate," adopted at a meeting of said Board, held the 29th of December, 1882, to the sum of \$450,000, apportioned by them on the same date as above given, "For purchasing and procuring sites for and erecting new buildings, and for fitting up of the same, under the charge of the Board of Education," the sum of three thousand six hun-

dred and sixty-three $\frac{27}{100}$ dollars, for the payment of the following claims, for which appropriation was made by this Board, per pages 846, 879 of the Journal of 1884, from the said fund apportioned for the general purposes of 1883, viz. :

For Joseph Spears' bill for extra work in erecting new building No. 78, corner of One Hundred and Nineteenth street and Avenue A, in Twelfth Ward	\$1,379 26
For John P. Schweikert's bill for extra work in erecting new building No. 76, corner of Sixty-eighth street and Lexington avenue, in Nineteenth Ward	1,003 00
For Theodore Dieterlein's bill for extra work in erecting new building No. 77, on First avenue, between Eighty-fifth and Eighty-sixth streets, in Nineteenth Ward	1,281 71

and that, upon said transfer being made by the said Board of Estimate and Apportionment, the sum so transferred be and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of the claims herein enumerated, instead of the appropriation heretofore made by this Board for this purpose.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—19.

Commissioner WETMORE offered the following :

Resolved, That the Executive Committee on Nautical School be and they hereby are authorized to make a requisition upon the Comptroller for two sight drafts on London, England, in favor of Edwin M. Shepard, Superintendent of the Nautical School, each for the sum of three hundred pounds

sterling, in all six hundred pounds sterling (£600), to be used by him, as may be needed, for obtaining funds for the payment of the salaries of the officers and the wages of the crew of the ship *St. Mary's*, and for supplies, repairs, port dues, pilotage, &c., &c., at such foreign ports as may be visited during the summer cruise of said ship; the vouchers for said expenditures to be submitted by said Edwin M. Shepard to the Committee on Nautical School, upon the return of the ship, for their audit, and for liquidation by the Comptroller.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—20.

REPORTS LAID OVER UNDER THE RULE.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced for consideration the report of the Committee on Buildings, denying the application from the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward to hire the premises Nos. 114 and 116 Cannon street, Journal, pp. 228, 253.

Commissioner SCHMITT moved that said report be laid over, and to keep its order on the schedule.

Which was lost.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, dismissing the appeals of Miss Florence T. Ray and Miss J. Imogen Howard, assistant teachers in Grammar School No. 81, Journal, pp. 259–262.

Adopted.

The **PRESIDENT** *pro tem.* announced the report of the Finance Committee, on the financial ability of the Board to appropriate \$134 in payment of the bill of McDonald & Kilduff, for paving and regulating the street curb at Grammar School Building No. 77, as recommended by the Committee on Buildings, Journal, p. 262.

The **PRESIDENT** *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Buildings, found on pages 227 and 228 of the Journal, in connection with this report of the Finance Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Ayes—The **PRESIDENT** *pro tem.*, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—20.

The **PRESIDENT** *pro tem.* announced the report of the Committee on Evening Schools, denying the application of the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward to establish a mixed Senior and Junior Evening School for Females in Grammar School building No. 19, Journal, p. 263.

On motion of Commissioner TAMSEN—

Laid over, and to retain its order on the schedule.

The **PRESIDENT** *pro tem.* announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, fining Miss Annie M. Phelan, assistant teacher in P. D. G. S. No. 70, five days' pay, for a violation of the by-law prohibiting corporal punishment, Journal, p. 263.

Adopted.

The **PRESIDENT** *pro tem.* announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, to pay the salary of Thomas F. Carley, late teacher in G. S. No. 40, to March 6th, to his legal representatives, Journal, p. 264.

The **PRESIDENT** *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Com-

mittee on Teachers, p. 264, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—20.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, excusing the absence of teachers, with full pay, Journal, pp. 264, 265.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—20.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced the report of the Committee on Evening Schools, requiring the Trustees to nominate among the regular teachers for the Female Evening Schools a teacher competent to teach vocal music, Journal, pp. 265, 266.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced the report of the Committee on Buildings, authorizing the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward to advertise for proposals for excavating and removing the rock from the lots on the southeast corner of Ninety-sixth street and Lexington avenue, Journal, p. 266.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced the report of the Committee on Nomination of Trustees, appointing Trustees in the Tenth, Fourteenth, Seventeenth, Eighteenth and Twenty-fourth Wards, to fill vacancies, Journal, pp. 269, 270.

Commissioner DEVOE called for a division of the question, and that the question be put on the nominations for the Tenth, Fourteenth, Seventeenth and Eighteenth Wards.

Commissioner WOOD moved that the name of Daniel J. Moore be substituted for that of Henry Allen for the Seventeenth Ward.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would substitute the name of Daniel J. Moore for that of Henry Allen, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Kelly and Wood—2.

Nays—The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace and Welch—16.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt so much of the resolution attached to the report of the Committee as relates to the appointment of Trustees for the Tenth, Fourteenth, Seventeenth and Eighteenth Wards, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch and Wood—17.

Commissioner KELLY asked to be and was excused from voting.

Commissioner DEVOE moved that the name of Jacob Webber be substituted for that of John E. Eustis of the Twenty-fourth Ward.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crary, Devoe, Gallaway, Kelly, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman and Traud—8.

Nays—The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, and Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Tamsen, Wallace, Welch and Wood—10.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would confirm the nomination of John E. Eustis, for School

Trustee of the Twenty-fourth Ward, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch and Wood—17.

Commissioner DEVOE asked to be and was excused from voting.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented a report from the Auditing Committee, stating that they have examined the accompanying bills, and believing the items thereof to be correct, and the charges reasonable, recommend their payment by the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the following named bills be and they hereby are approved for payment :

Wm. Walgrain, Bulletin Board for Commissioners' Room, April.....	\$12 00
F. Froberg, subscription to <i>Evening Post, Mail and Commercial Advertiser</i> , March 1 to May 1, 1885.....	4 16
L. D. Kiernan, postage, etc., March 28 to April 29.....	115 17

HENRY SCHMITT,	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
H. B. PERKINS,	
ISAAC BELL,	
DE WITT J. SELIGMAN,	
W. B. WALLACE,	

Commissioner SCHMITT asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch and Wood—18.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented a report from the Auditing Committee, to whom was referred the communication from F. R. Hall, complaining against an employee of the Board, stating that Mr. Hall alleges that while passing the Hall of the Board on April 3, 1885, in company of his wife, he sustained damages to the amount of \$50, by water which fell upon his own and her clothing from an upper window of the building. Mr. Hall asks that the Board compensate him for the alleged injury. The Committee examined into the facts, and heard Mr. Hall, Mrs. Hall, and the Janitor. It appeared that an assistant of the Janitor was cleaning windows on the third floor; a cup was used for washing the windows. Mr. Hall was passing at the time, and a little of the water possibly fell upon them. The Committee are of the opinion that no serious damage was occasioned by the occurrence.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption:

Resolved, That the complaint of F. R. Hall against an employee of the Board of Education, claiming damages to the amount of fifty dollars (\$50), be, and the same is hereby dismissed.

HENRY SCHMITT,	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
H. B. PERKINS,	
ISAAC BELL,	
W. B. WALLACE,	

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom were referred applications from Trustees, to excuse the absence of teachers, with full pay; stating, that the cause of absence in each case reported herein is personal illness.

A statement is submitted, showing the record of each applicant for the past five years.

The Committee recommend *that the absences be excused, with*

full pay, for the time stated in the column "Time allowed," in the following resolution, which is submitted for adoption:

Resolved, That the following-named teachers be excused for absence, with full pay, for the "time allowed" herein:

WARD.	School.	Name.	Time Allowed.	Years of Service.	Instruction.	Discipline.	No. Days Lost.	Exc. with full pay.
4th.	P. D.	1. Margaret J. Fitzgerald.	7 d. March..	10	{ Good...3 y..... Ex.....2 y.Ex..... }		26	.....
6th.	P. D.	24. Mary J. Mulledy.....	1 d. March..	16	{ Good...3 y..... Ex.....2 y.Ex..... }		41	3 d.
	P. S.	8. Mary T. Oatis.....	5 d. March..	5	{ Good...2 y.Good..1 y. Ex.....3 y.Ex....4 y. }		4	.....
7th.	P. D.	2. Jane Holly.....	2 d. Feb....	5	Ex.....Ex.....		27	.....
	M. D.	2. Maggie B. Murphy..	{ 9 d. March 12 d. April. }	8	{ Good...2 y..... Ex.....3 y.Ex..... }		43	20 d.
9th.	M. D.	3. Mary E. Forsyth.....	4 d. March..	16	General Assistant.....		44	16 d.
11th.	F. D.	22. Rachel J. Wilbur.....	3 d. March..	17	{ Good...1 y..... Ex.....4 y.Ex..... }		21	.....
	P. S.	31. Margaret McCaffrey.	{ 2 d. March 21 d. April. }	28	Ex.....Ex.....		39	23 d.
	F. D.	36. Emma L. Howe.....	3 d. March..	16	{ Good...1 y..... Ex.....4 y.Ex..... }		35	7 d.
	P. D.	36. Susie Drake.....	14 d. March..	18	{ Good...1 y..... Ex.....4 y.Ex..... }		22	.....
	M. D.	15. Sarah A. Messenger...	5 d. March..	30	{ Good...2 y..... Ex.....3 y.Ex..... }		4	.....
	P. D.	15. Henrietta M. Gunton..	3 d. March..	12	Ex.....Ex.....		29	.....
12th.	F. D.	37. Jennie S. Horne.....	3 d. March..	16	Ex.....Ex.....		59	10 d.
	P. D.	37. Margaret Lawson.....	10 d. March..	21	{ Good...1 y..... Ex.....4 y.Ex..... }		101	22 d.
	P. D.	37. Charlotte H. Stearns.	{ 3 d. Feb.... Ap. 20 to M'y 6 }	25	Management Excellent.		55	24 d.
	P. D.	57. Mary F. Coachmon....	2 d. Feb....	15	Ex.....Ex.....		54	40 d.
	F. D.	72. Anna M. Hunter.....	9½ d. March	8	Ex.....Ex.....		9	.....
	P. D.	72. Anna [Walter.....	18 d. March..	5	{ Good...1 y..... Ex.....4 y.Ex..... }		69	.....
	F. D.	72. Ella C. Platt.....	6½ d. March.	7	Ex.....Ex.....		56	45 d.
13th.	F. D.	34. Anna J. McGuire.....	2 d. March..	12	Ex.....Ex.....		27	.....
	F. D.	4. Jennette Robertson....	22 d. March..	29	Management Excellent..		4	.....
15th.	G. D.	35. Pauline Vergnes.....	{ March 26th to May 6th }	8	{ Good...2 y.Good..1 y. Ex.....3 y.Ex....4 y. }		42	16 d.
16th.	P. D.	55. Hannah M. Rouse.....	3 d. March..	31	Management Excellent.		55	23 d.
17th.	F. D.	13. Mary I. Hogan.....	1 d. March..	6	{ Ex.....2 y.Ex....3 y. Good...1 y..... General Assistant.2 y. }		17	4 d.
	P. D.	13. Jennie A. Moran.....	3 d. March..	14	{ Good...2 y..... Ex.....3 y.Ex..... }		18	.....
	M. D.	19. Mary J. Poor.....	8 d. March..	26	Ex.....Ex.....		23	1 d.
	P. D.	19. Jane Ryan.....	3 d. March..	12	Ex.....Ex.....		24	.....
	P. D.	19. Rebecca Dolg.....	1½ d. March	6	Ex.....Ex.....		20	.....
	P. D.	19. Mary E. Barnum.....	20 d. March..	22	Ex.....Ex.....		36	25 d.
	F. D.	25. Fannie Funston.....	2½ d. March.	23	{ Good...1 y..... Ex.....4 y.Ex..... }		109	47 d.
	F. D.	25. Hortense J. Backus....	2 d. March..	8	{ Ex.....4 y.Ex....4 y. General Assistant.1 y. }		64	.....
	P. D.	25. M. Louise Byrdsall....	1½ d. March.	23	Ex.....Ex.....		37	9 d.
	P. S.	22. Julia H. Flynn.....	2 d. March..	6	{ Good...2 y..... Ex.....3 y.Ex..... }		45	.....

Rank.	School.	Name.	Time Allowed.	Years of Service.	Instruction.	Discipline.	No. Days Lost.	Exc. with full pay.
18th.	P. S. 29.	Margaret Durnin.....	2 d. Feb....	18	Ex.....	Ex.....	8	.....
20th.	P. D. 32.	Emma Buffing.....	8 d. March..	11	Ex.....	Ex.....	19	.....
	P. D. 33.	Rose Holden.....	4 d. March..	21	{ Good...3 y. Good...1 y. }		62	30 d.
					{ Ex.....2 y. Ex....4 y. }			
	P. D. 48.	Cath. M. Botts.....	2 d. March..	26	Management Excellent..		51	44 d.
	P. S. 27.	Margaret McGean.....	5 d. March..	18	{ Ex.....3 y. }		5	.....
					{ Good...2 y. Ex			
23d.	G. D. 60.	Jonathan D. Hyatt....	7½ d. March.	28	Management Excellent..		8	.....
	G. D. 60.	Nellie Mc. L. Thompson	2½ d. March.	25	{ Ex.....4 y. }		63	21 d.
					{ Good...1 y. Ex..... }			
	P. D. 60.	Almira Conklin.....	10 d. March..	11	{ Good...2 y. }		34	15 d.
					{ Ex.....3 y. Ex..... }			
	P. D. 60.	Agnes Smith.....	2 d. March..	12	Ex.....	Ex.....	38	10 d.
	G. D. 62.	Jennie E. Fash.....	3 d. March..	17	Ex.....	Ex.....	6	.....
	G. D. 62.	Sarah E. Doran.....	3½ d. March.	16	{ Good...2 y. }		26	6 d.
					{ Ex.....3 y. Ex..... }			
	G. D. 62.	Annie E. Bigelow.....	8 d. March..	5	{ Good...1 y. }		20	.....
					{ Ex.....4 y. Ex..... }			
	P. D. 62.	Josephine Hammer....	2 d. Feb....	14	Ex... ..	Ex.....	23	12 d.
	P. S. 33.	Hattie E. Hall.....	{ April 1st to }	27	Ex.....	Ex.....	48	.....
			{ May 6th.. }					
24th.	G. S. 66.	Adelaide M. Cowan....	18 d. March..	10	{ Good...1 y. }		24	16 d.
					{ Ex.....4 y. Ex..... }			
	G. S. 65.	Isabelle Sullivan.....	1 d. March..	8	Ex.....	Ex.....	28	12 d.

EUGENE H. POMEROY,
EUGENE KELLY,
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,
WILLIAM WOOD,

} Committee
on
Teachers.

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, recommending the removal of Miss Rachel S. Gorlitz, P. D. G. S. No. 25, for insubordination, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication of the City Superintendent, recommending the removal of Miss Rachel S. Gorlitz, Assistant Teacher in Primary Department No. 25, for insubordination, respectfully report : that Miss Gorlitz was furnished by the Clerk with a copy of the communication of the City Superintendent, and that she was requested to be present before the Committee on Tuesday, April 28th, at 4 o'clock P. M. She failed to appear personally, but was represented by counsel.

From the testimony of the City Superintendent, it appears

that the Board of Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, on the 29th day of December, 1884, forwarded to the City Superintendent a communication signed by four Trustees, requesting the said Superintendent to re-examine Miss Rachel S. Gorlitz, Fifteenth Assistant in Primary Department No. 25, in accordance with section 1040, subdivision 2 of the statutes found on page 33 of the Manual of the Board of Education for the year 1884.

In the early part of January, 1885, Miss Gorlitz was notified by the City Superintendent of the action of the Trustees, the request of the Trustees was read to her, and she herself afterwards read the communication.

A day was then selected for the re-examination, previous to which day her counsel called at the City Superintendent's office, and made a copy of the paper forwarded by the Trustees.

Miss Gorlitz failed to appear at the appointed time, and did not assign any reason for not appearing.

She was again notified to call at the office, in order that a day satisfactory to her might be selected. To this notice she paid no attention.

On the 25th of March she was notified to appear for re-examination on the 27th of the month, at 10 o'clock A. M. To this notification she forwarded a reply refusing to appear at the time appointed.

These facts, as presented by the City Superintendent, were not disputed by her counsel. It was claimed, however, by the counsel that although the law says that "it shall be the duty of the City Superintendent to re-examine any teacher upon the written request of any two Inspectors of the District or three Trustees of the Ward in which the teacher is employed," it does not state that such teacher must, in obedience to a notification from the City Superintendent, present herself for re-examination. She can, if she see fit, refuse to appear.

In view of the law and the facts we are of the opinion that Miss Gorlitz has been guilty of insubordination, and we offer for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That Miss Rachel S. Gorlitz, Fifteenth Assistant in

Primary Department No. 25, upon the recommendation of the City Superintendent, be and she is hereby removed for insubordination.

EUGENE H. POMEROY, EUGENE KELLY, GILBERT H. CRAWFORD, WILLIAM WOOD,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
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Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner TAMSEN presented a report from the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, stating, that they have had under consideration an application to place the book entitled "Exercises and Songs for School and Home, No. 2," on the list of supplies.

As this book is a continuation of Part I, a work now on the list of books authorized to be used in the schools, and as many Principals of schools are anxious to secure the book for use in their several schools, the Committee recommend that it be added to the list of supplies, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the following named book be added to the list of supplies authorized to be used in the public schools: "Exercises and Songs for School and Home, Part II."

EDWARD J. H. TAMSEN, W. B. WALLACE, GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	}	<i>Committee on Course of Study, &c.</i>
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Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner WOOD presented a report from the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, with reference to a new building for a Female and Primary Department in place of P. S. No. 10, and the transfer of Female Department No. 34 to said new school ; stating, that G. S. No. 34 in Broome street is a three department school, and is overcrowded in all its departments.

P. S. No. 10, in Carmine street, is a small school in an old church edifice, which was altered and remodeled more than twenty years ago, and is inadequate for school purposes.

The fast increasing school population in the neighborhood of these schools requires that additional accommodations should be provided.

This can be accomplished by erecting a new building on the present site of P. S. No. 10 and transferring thereto F. D. No. 34, or the purchase of a new site in the vicinity of these schools, and erection of a building thereon to which F. D. No. 34 and P. S. No. 10 can be transferred, thereby organizing a school with a Female Grammar and Mixed Primary Department, leaving G. S. No. 34 with a Male Grammar and Mixed Primary Department.

The Committee believe that this is the proper thing to do in order to afford ample accommodation for the children in this part of the city who are unable at present to obtain admission to our schools, and also relieve the overcrowded condition of some of the Primary School buildings.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Board that a new site should be purchased, if one can be procured, in the vicinity of Primary School No. 10, and a building erected thereon, to which Female Department No. 34 and Primary School No. 10 should be transferred. If this cannot be done, the present building of Primary School No. 10 should be reconstructed and Female Department No. 34 transferred thereto, thereby organizing a new school with a Female Grammar and Mixed Primary Department, leaving G. S. No. 34 with a Male Grammar and Mixed Primary Department.

WILLIAM WOOD, EDWARD J. H. TAMSEN, W. B. WALLACE, G. H. CRAWFORD,	}	<i>Committee on Course of Study, &c.</i>
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Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner WELCH presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, submitting a statement of the condition of the Buildings Contingent Fund, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Committee on School Furniture, in compliance with section 53, subdivision 2, of the by-laws, respectfully submit herewith a statement of the portion of the “Buildings Contingent Fund” under the control of the Committee, including a statement of the expenditures allowed to May 1, 1885.

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. WELCH,
CHAS L. HOLT,
H. B. PERKINS,
EDWARD J. H. TAMSEN,
J. D. VERMILYE,

}

Committee
on
School Furniture.

May 6, 1885.

STATEMENT.

Portion of Fund to be expended under direction of Committee..... \$4,800 00

Expenditures.

WARD. SCHOOL.			
7.	G. S. 2.	Alter rear wing room, P. D.....	\$49 95
	G. S. 2.	Change position of seats, P. D..	27 45
8.	G. S. 8.	Desks from workshop (P. D.)...	22 20
11.	G. S. 36.	Carpet for Teachers' Room, F. D.	25 00
	P. S. 5.	Furniture and carpet for Teachers' Room.....	96 96
12.	G. S. 68.	6 slate black-boards, M. D.....	55 25
14.	G. S. 30.	2 slate black-boards, F. D.....	34 75
15.	G. S. 10.	Repairs	25 00
17.	P. S. 9.	28 leaves to desks; 6 settees.	122 34
19.	G. S. 18.	New desks, &c., Room No. 4, M.D	174 00
	G. S. 18.	Repairs.	24 07
	G. S. 18.	6 chairs P. D.....	12 00
20.	G. S. 33.	3 clocks for new addition.	22 50
			<hr/> \$691 47

Authorized Expenditures.

WARD, SCHOOL.			
2.	P. S. 34.	Repair piano.....	\$75 00
6.	G. S. 23.	Rearrange furniture, &c., M. and F. D.....	50 00
	P. S. 2.	Change location of seats, &c.; desks, &c.....	100 00
7.	G. S. 31.	Change furniture one room from Grammar to Primary.....	175 00
8.	G. S. 38.	12 chairs.....	27 00
10.	G. S. 7.	6 ".....	12 00
	G. S. 20.	16 ".....	48 00
11.	G. S. 36.	36 ".....	90 00
	G. S. 15.	36 ".....	96 00
	P. S. 5.	Lounga.....	20 00
	P. S. 31.	Repair piano.....	60 00
12.	G. S. 68.	Furnish Principal's Room, F. D	100 00
	G. S. 43.	3 chairs.....	10 50
	G. S. 57.	Fit up spare room.....	100 00
	G. S. 68.	6 chairs; 1 table.....	40 00
	P. D. 83.	Curtain screens.....	25 00
	G. S. 46.	New clock, F. D.....	12 00
	G. S. 68.	Furniture for two new rooms, P. D.....	120 00
	G. S. 68.	Change position of furniture, F.D	50 00
	G. S. 68.	6 chairs.....	18 00
	G. S. 57.	1 Teacher's desk, P. D.....	12 00
13.	G. S. 4.	Furnish new room, F. D.....	52 00
	G. S. 4.	" " P. D.....	59 00
	G. S. 4.	" " M. D.....	57 00
15.	G. S. 35.	12 chairs.....	36 00
16.	G. S. 45.	1 doz. chairs.....	25 00
17.	G. S. 19.	Substitute desks for settees, M.D	100 00
19.	G. S. 59.	Repair settees and rear class room, F. D.....	75 00
	G. S. 76.	Slate black-board and desk in new room.....	32 00
	G. S. 27.	4 slate black-boards, P. D.....	28 00
20.	G. S. 32.	Repair piano, P. D.....	75 00
	G. S. 32.	" M. D.....	30 00
22.	G. S. 51.	Curtains to divide assembly rooms.....	175 00
	G. S. 9.	Substitute desks from shop for settees, F. D.....	50 00
	G. S. 69.	18 chairs.....	48 00
	G. S. 28.	New furniture, Room No. 2, fourth floor.....	150 00

WARD. SCHOOL.

G. S. 69.	15 desks, &c.....	\$100 00	
G. S. 28.	Repair piano, F. D.....	75 00	
23. G. D. 60.	Furnish premises One Hundred and Forty-fourth street.....	199 00	\$2,606 50
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Total.....			\$3,297 97
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Balance.....			\$1,502 30

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

Commissioner WELCH presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward to substitute settees for desks in six class rooms of the Primary Department Grammar School No. 77 ; stating, that from a report made to the Committee by the City Superintendent of Schools, it is far better for the health and comfort of the children that the change should not be made.

The Committee recommend that the application be denied ; and submit the following resolution for adoption.

Resolved, That the application from the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward for authority to advertise for proposals for substituting settees for desks in six class rooms of Primary Department Grammar School No. 77 be, and the same is hereby denied.

W. J. WELCH,	}	<i>Committee on School Furniture.</i>
CHAS. L. HOLT,		
H. B. PERKINS,		
EDWARD J. H. TAMSEN,		
J. D. VERMILYE,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner WELCH presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward for an appropriation of \$50 to pay the bill of Baker, Pratt & Co. for furniture supplied Grammar School No. 60, in August, 1884 ; stating, that on the 23d of last June this Committee authorized the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward to purchase certain furni-

ture for Grammar Department of No. 60, at an expense of \$75, to be paid from the incidental fund of the school, as per section 54 of the Manual.

In pursuance of the authority thus given the Trustees incurred an expenditure of \$50, but the bill was not filed with them until December last, at which time the incidental fund of the school was exhausted.

Inasmuch as the work was done under authority granted by your Committee, it is recommended that an appropriation be made for the payment of the bill.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the sum of fifty dollars (\$50) be, and the same is hereby appropriated from the funds of 1884 in payment of the following named bill, and that said bill be paid on the approval of the Superintendent of School Buildings:

Baker, Pratt & Co., furniture supplied G. D. No.

60, August 29, 1884..... \$50 00

W. J. WELCH,	}	<i>Committee on School Furniture.</i>
H. B. PERKINS,		
CHAS. L. HOLT,		
EDWARD J. H. TAMSEN,		
J. D. VERMILYE,		

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward to alter the buildings in the rear of G. S. No. 37, on East Eighty-eighth street, for class room purposes ; stating, that the Inspector of Buildings of the Fire Department has refused to approve any application for alteration of these houses for school purposes.

The Committee, therefore, recommend that the application be denied, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the application from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward to alter the buildings on rear of G. S. No. 37, on

East Eighty-eighth street, for school purposes, be, and the same is hereby denied.

F. W. DEVOE,
G. SCHWAB,
EUGENE H. POMEROY,
R. M. GALLAWAY,

}

Committee
on
Buildings.

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee On Buildings, submitting a statement of the condition of the Buildings Contingent Fund, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Committee on Buildings, in compliance with section 53, subdivision 2, of the by-laws, respectfully submit herewith a statement in detail of the condition of the portion of the “ Buildings Contingent Fund,” under the control of the Committee, including a statement of the expenditures allowed to May 1, 1885.

Respectfully submitted,

F. W. DEVOE,
G. SCHWAB,
EUGENE H. POMEROY,
R. M. GALLAWAY,

}

Committee
on
Buildings.

May 7, 1885.

STATEMENT.

Portion of Fund to be expended under direction of Committee..... \$19,200 00

Expenditures.

WARD. SCHOOL.		
7.	G. S. 31.	Board ceiling, 1 room..... \$79 81
9.	G. S. 41.	Elevator to sidewalk..... 45 07
11.	P. S. 5.	Kalsomine and paint, teachers' room..... 25 00
12.	G. S. 57.	Altering sliding doors, G. D..... 110 25
13.	P. S. 20.	Hoist for ashes 24 67
	G. S. 34.	2 wardrobes, doors between rooms. 73 00
14.	G. S. 30.	Repairing chimneys 24 25
15.	G. S. 35.	Iron guards around furnaces..... 13 60

WARD. SCHOOL.

18.	P. S. 4.	Repairing roof, &c.....	\$87 94
	P. S. 29.	New leaders; repairing sheds.....	44 85
19.	P. S. 35.	Gas fixtures.....	29 50
	G. S. 27.	Changing fine of pump, &c. &c....	16 77
22.	G. S. 80.	Shelving and carpenter work.....	29 89
	G. S. 80.	Repairing roof.....	29 22
	G. S. 80.	Glass in front window.....	4 50
			<hr/> \$638 32

Authorized Expenditures.

WARD. SCHOOL.

1.	G. S. 29.	10 small gongs.....	\$40 00
5.	G. S. 44.	Sky lights.....	100 00
	G. S. 44.	Gas fixtures, &c.....	60 00
	G. S. 44.	Repair brick work of water closet..	20 00
	P. S. 11.	Repairing sewer.....	8 74
6.	G. S. 23.	Slate urinals and flooring.....	75 00
	G. S. 23.	Stairs 2d to 3d floor; remove partition.....	130 00
	G. S. 24.	Change girls' water closet.....	60 00
	P. S. 8.	Take out partition and make 1 class room.....	30 00
7.	G. S. 2.	New leaders; repair gutter.....	35 00
9.	P. S. 7.	Repair pump, ceiling, &c.....	25 00
12.	G. S. 46.	Repair brick work and ceiling.....	75 00
	G. S. 57.	Repair tower clock.....	35 00
	G. S. 54.	Plumbing in water closets.....	50 00
	G. S. 54.	Alter store room.....	100 00
	G. S. 57.	Fence with gate; change doors....	35 00
13.	P. S. 20.	Repair frozen pipes.....	22 70
14.	G. S. 5.	Repair leader and gutter.....	30 00
	G. S. 5.	Repair ceilings.....	50 00
16.	G. S. 81.	General repairs.....	200 00
17.	P. S. 22.	Water closet in Trustees' room....	200 00
20.	G. S. 33.	New flooring; shed over door.....	75 00
22.	P. S. 41.	Repair sewer, &c.....	130 00
	G. S. 51.	Build wall on rear.....	150 00
	G. S. 9.	Repair Croton pipes; new hydrant..	25 00
	G. S. 80.	Repair plumbing, sink, &c.....	20 00
	G. S. 28.	Plaster, paint and repair 1 room, &c.	40 00
	G. S. 28.	Paint and repair roofs.....	185 00
23.	G. S. 60.	Kalsomine ceiling and clean floors of building on 144th street.....	50 00
			<hr/> 2,056 44
Total.....			<hr/> \$2,09
Balance.....			<hr/> \$16,50

Authorized expenditures, await receipt of bills :

WARD. SCHOOL.

- 5. P. S. 11. Hand rails
- 6. P. S. 2. Moving two partitions
- 12. G. S. 43. Hooks and racks for clothing.....
- 14. G. S. 30. Repair privy wall ; take out hydrant, &c.....

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, for the payment to Mr. Charles Eschenbach of the sum of \$102 for services rendered in protecting the property No. 17 St. Mark's Place ; stating, that P. S. No. 23, which was held in these premises, was discontinued February 1st. The lease of the premises not expiring until May 1st, the Trustees employed the services of the late Janitor of the school, Mr. Charles Eschenbach, to protect the premises.

On April 1st (Journal, pp. 225, 226), this Board by resolution surrendered the premises to the owner, Mr. Bruno Weber, and the Committee recommend that Mr. Eschenbach be paid \$68 for services rendered from February 1st to this latter date, April 1st, and submit for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That Mr. Charles Eschenbach be paid the sum of sixty-eight dollars (\$68) from the appropriation for salaries of Janitors for services rendered in protecting the property No. 17 St. Mark's Place during the months of February and March, 1885.

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
G. SCHWAB,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings ; stating, that they authorized the Superintendent of School Buildings to continue the services of the two assistant draughtsmen employed to May 1st (Journal, p. 168), from that

date to August 1st, as their services are needed to complete the work of preparing plans and drawings for buildings authorized.

The Committee respectfully ask the Board to confirm their action, and submit a resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the action of the Committee on Buildings in employing the services of two assistant draughtsmen to complete the work of preparing plans for buildings authorized by this Board, from May 1st to August 1, 1885, at a total expense not to exceed forty dollars (\$40) per week, to be paid from the Incidental expenses of the Board of Education, be and the same is hereby approved, and such appointments authorized.

F. W. DEVOE,	} Committee on Buildings.
G. SCHWAB,	
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	
R. M. GALLAWAY,	

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner SELIGMAN presented a report from the Committee on Supplies, making award of the contract for wood for the year 1885-1886, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Committee on Supplies respectfully report : That in pursuance of the resolution of the Board adopted on the 18th of March last, they caused the following advertisement to be published for two weeks in the *City Record* :

SEALED PROPOSALS will be received at the office of the Clerk of the Board of Education, corner of Grand and Elm streets, until Wednesday, April 22, 1885, at 4 P. M., for supplying the coal and wood required for the public schools in the city for the ensuing year—say fourteen thousand (14,000) tons of coal, more or less, and seven hundred and fifty (750) cords of oak, and eight hundred and fifty (850) cords of pine wood, more or less. The coal must be of the best quality of white ash, furnace, egg, stove and nut sizes, clean and in good order, two thousand two hundred and forty (2,240) pounds to the ton, and must be delivered in the bins of the several school buildings at such times and in such quantities as required by the Committee on Supplies.

The proposals must state the mines from which it is proposed to supply the coal

(to be furnished from the mines named, if accepted), and must state the price per ton of two thousand two hundred and forty (2,240) pounds.

The quantity of the various sizes of coal required will be about as follows, viz.: Ten thousand eight hundred (10,800) tons of furnace size, one thousand five hundred (1,500) tons of stove size, one thousand (1,000) tons of egg size, and seven hundred (700) tons of nut size.

The oak wood must be of the best quality, the stick not less than three (3) feet long. The pine wood must be of the best quality Virginia, and not less than three (3) feet six (6) inches long. The proposals must state the price per cord of one hundred and twenty-eight (128) cubic feet, solid measure, for both oak and pine wood, and also the price per cut per load for sawing, and the price per cut per load for splitting, the quantity of oak wood to be split only as required by the Committee on Supplies.

The wood, both oak and pine, must be delivered, sawed, and when required, split, and must be piled in the yards, cellars, vaults, or bins of the school buildings, as may be designated by the proper authority.

Said coal and wood will be inspected, weighed and measured under the supervision of the Inspector of Fuel of the Board of Education, and must be delivered at the schools as follows: Two-thirds of the quantity of each from the 1st of May to the 1st of October, and the remainder as required by the Committee on Supplies.

The contracts for supplying said coal and wood to be binding until the first day of May, 1886. Two sureties for the faithful performance of the contract will be required, and each proposal must be accompanied by the signatures and residences of the proposed sureties. No compensation will be allowed for delivering said coal and wood at any of the schools, nor for putting and piling the same in the yards, cellars, vaults or bins of said schools.

Proposals must be directed to the Committee on Supplies of the Board of Education, and should be endorsed "Proposals for Coal," or "Proposals for Wood," as the case may be.

The Committee reserves to itself the right to impose such conditions and penalties in the contract as it may deem proper, and reject any or all proposals received when deemed best for the public interest.

DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,	}	<i>Committee on Supplies.</i>
CHAS. L. HOLT,		
HOSEA B. PERKINS,		
HENRY SCHMITT,		
DAVID WETMORE,		

NEW YORK, April 6, 1885.

In response to which they received four (4) proposals for wood, as follows:

1. C. DALEY.

750 Cords of Oak Wood, at \$7.50 per Cord.

850 " Pine " " 8.00 "

Sawing Oak Wood, per cut per load, 2 cents.

Splitting " " " " 2 "

Sawing Pine " " " " 2 "

Splitting " " " " 2 "

Sureties—P. Garvey and Edward Maher.

2. C. W. ALCOTT & Co.

750 Cords of Oak Wood, at \$5.95 per cord. .

850 " Pine " " 6.45 "

Sawing Oak Wood, per cut per load, 4 cents.

Splitting " " " " 4 "

Sawing Pine " " " " 4 "

Splitting " " " " 4 "

Sureties—L. Kircher and W. Muller.

3. CLARK & WILKINS.

750 Cords of Oak Wood, at \$6.00 per Cord.

850 " Pine " " 6.30 "

Sawing Oak Wood, per cut per load, 4 cents.

Splitting " " " " 4 "

Sawing Pine " " " " 4 "

Splitting " " " " 4 "

Sureties—B. F. Vosburgh and G. B. Lawton.

4. FREDERICK BUSE.

750 Cords of Oak Wood, at \$6.18 per Cord. .

850 " Pine " " 6.28 "

Sawing Oak Wood, per cut, per load, 5 cents.

Splitting " " " " 3 "

Sawing Pine " " " " 6 "

Splitting " " " " 3 "

Sureties—J. Millward and Peter J. Carpenter.

Upon consideration of the said several proposals it was found that the lowest bid was that of Clark & Wilkins, being \$6.00 per cord for Oak Wood, and \$6.30 per cord for Pine Wood, and for sawing, 4 cents, and for splitting, 4 cents per cut per load; and it was decided that a conditional award of contract, to be

submitted to the Board for approval, be made to the said Clark Wilkins, for supplying to the several schools under the control of the Board the wood required for the ensuing year, and for sawing and splitting the same at the prices above mentioned. The contractors to be governed by the rules and regulations of the Board of Education and the aforesaid advertisement. The Committee submit their action for confirmation by the Board, and the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the Committee on Supplies be, and they hereby are authorized to contract with Clark & Wilkins for the wood required for the use of the schools under the control of this Board, pursuant to their proposal, for the year ending May 1, 1886, at the rate of \$6.00 per cord for oak wood, and \$6.30 per cord for pine wood, and for sawing and for splitting 4 cents each per cut per load. Said Clark & Wilkins to furnish securities satisfactory to the Committee on Supplies for the faithful performance of said contract, and to deliver said wood in every respect as conditioned in their proposal, and in accordance with the by-laws of this Board, and the requirements of the advertisement soliciting proposals, and such contract to be in such form and with such conditions, stipulations and provisions as shall be satisfactory to the Committee on Supplies.

Respectfully submitted,

DE WITT J. SELIGMAN,	} Committee on Supplies.
CHAS. L. HOLT,	
H. B. PERKINS,	
HENRY SCHMITT,	

Commissioner SELIGMAN asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board could adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* and Commissioners Bell, Cary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins,

Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Wallace, Welch and Wood—17.

Nay—Commissioner Traud—1.

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

Commissioner HOLT presented a report from the Committee on Supplies, awarding the contract for coal for the years 1885-1886, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Committee on Supplies respectfully report: That in pursuance of the resolution of the Board adopted on the 18th of March last, they caused the following advertisement to be published for two weeks in the *City Record* :

SEALED PROPOSALS will be received at the office of the Clerk of the Board of Education, corner of Grand and Elm streets, until Wednesday, April 22, 1885, at 4 P. M., for supplying the coal and wood required for the public schools in the city for the ensuing year—say fourteen thousand (14,000) tons of coal, more or less, and seven hundred and fifty (750) cords of oak, and eight hundred and fifty (850) cords of pine wood, more or less. The coal must be of the best quality of white ash, furnace, egg, stove and nut sizes, clean and in good order, two thousand two hundred and forty (2,240) pounds to the ton, and must be delivered in the bins of the several school buildings at such times and in such quantities as required by the Committee on Supplies.

The proposals must state the mines from which it is proposed to supply the coal (to be furnished from the mines named, if accepted), and must state the price per ton of two thousand two hundred and forty (2,240) pounds.

The quantity of the various sizes of coal required will be about as follows, viz.: Ten thousand eight hundred (10,800) tons of furnace size, one thousand five hundred (1,500) tons of stove size, one thousand (1,000) tons of egg size, and seven hundred (700) tons of nut size.

The oak wood must be of the best quality, the stick not less than three (3) feet long. The pine wood must be of the best quality Virginia, and not less than (3) feet six (6) inches long. The proposals must state the price per cord of one hundred and twenty-eight (128) cubic feet, solid measure, for both oak and pine wood, and also the price per cut per load for sawing, and the price per cut per load for splitting, the quantity of oak wood to be split only as required by the Committee on Supplies.

The wood, both oak and pine, must be delivered, sawed, and when required, split, and must be piled in the yards, cellars, vaults, or bins of the school buildings, as may be designated by the proper authority.

Said coal and wood will be inspected, weighed and measured under the

supervision of the Inspector of Fuel of the Board of Education, and must be delivered at the schools as follows: Two-thirds of the quantity of each from the 1st of May to the 1st of October, and the remainder as required by the Committee on Supplies.

The contracts for supplying said coal and wood to be binding until the first day of May, 1886. Two sureties for the faithful performance of the contract will be required, and each proposal must be accompanied by the signature and residences of the proposed sureties. No compensation will be allowed for delivering said coal and wood at any of the schools, nor for putting and piling the same in the yards, cellars, vaults or bins of said schools.

Proposals must be directed to the Committee on Supplies of the Board of Education, and should be indorsed "Proposals for Coal," or "Proposals for Wood," as the case may be.

The Committee reserves to itself the right to impose such conditions and penalties in the contract as it may deem proper, and reject any or all proposals received when deemed best for the public interest.

DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,	} Committee on Supplies.
CHAS. L. HOLT,	
HOSEA B. PERKINS,	
HENRY SCHMITT,	
DAVID WETMORE,	

New York, April 6, 1885.

In response to which there were received five (5) proposals for coal, as follows:

1. WINANT & TERHUNE.

10,800	Tons	of	Furnace	Coal,	at	\$4.18	per	ton.
1,500	"		Stove	"		4.18	"	
1,000	"		Egg	"		4.18	"	
100	"		Nut	"		4.18	"	

Sureties—Thos. McKie and S. B. H. Vance.

2. CHAS. DUNLOP.

10,800	Tons	of	Furnace	Coal,	at	\$4.23	per	ton.
1,500	"		Stove	"		4.23	"	
1,000	"		Egg	"		4.23	"	
700	"		Nut	"		4.23	"	

Sureties—J. D. Kurtz Crook and A. G. Perham.

3. H. L. HERBERT & Co.

10,800 Tons of Furnace Coal, at \$4.52 per ton.

1,500 " Stove " 4.52 "

1,000 " Egg " 4.52 "

700 " Nut " 4.52 "

Sureties—C. Henry Garden, Bennett B. Schneider, and Lehigh
and Wilkesbarre Coal Company.

4. R. HECKSHER, JR.

10,800 Tons of Furnace Coal, at \$4.02 per ton.

1,500 " Stove " 4.02 "

1,000 " Egg " 4.02 "

700 " Nut " 4.02 "

Sureties—Christopher Mooney and David Duncan.

5. SAM'L G. FRENCH.

10,800 Tons of Furnace Coal, at \$4.12 per ton.

1,500 " Stove " 4.12 "

1,000 " Egg " 4.12 "

700 " Nut " 4.12 "

Sureties—R. Carman Coombs and G. W. Randall.

Upon consideration of the said several proposals it appeared that the lowest bid was that made by R. Hecksher, Jr., and it was decided that a conditional award of contract, to be submitted to the Board for approval, be made to the said R. Hecksher, Jr., for supplying to the several schools under the control of the Board the coal required for the ensuing year at the average price of \$4.02 per ton of 2,240 pounds. The contractor for the said coal to be governed by the rules and regulations of the Board of Education and the aforesaid advertisement, and the Committee submit their action for confirmation by the Board, and the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the Committee on Supplies be and they hereby are authorized to contract with R. Hecksher, Jr., for the coal required for use of the schools under the control of

this Board, pursuant to his proposal, for the year ending May 1st, 1886, at the rate of \$4.02 per ton of 2,240 pounds, said R. Hecksher, Jr., to furnish sureties satisfactory to the Committee on Supplies for the faithful performance of said contract, and to deliver said coal in every respect as conditioned in his proposal and in accordance with the By-Laws of this Board and the requirements of the advertisement soliciting proposals, and such contract to be in such form and with such conditions, stipulations and provisions as shall be satisfactory to the Committee on Supplies.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES L. HOLT,
H. B. PERKINS,
HENRY SCHMITT,
For presentation only.

} Committee
on
Supplies.

Commissioner SELIGMAN presented the report of the minority of the Committee on Supplies, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The undersigned, constituting a minority of the Committee on Supplies, recommends, in view of the small number of bids received, that the Committee on Supplies be authorized to advertise again for coal for the public schools for the year ending May 1, 1886. The undersigned is of the opinion that a re-advertisement would be to the interest of the Board of Education.

DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,

Committee on Supplies.

Commissioner SELIGMAN asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said reports.

Commissioner SELIGMAN moved that the Board consider said reports in executive session.

Commissioner KELLY moved that the reports be laid over for consideration at the next meeting of the Board.

Which was lost.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner SELIGMAN, and it was decided in the affirmative.

IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

The reports being under consideration—

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, put the question whether the Board would substitute the report of the minority for the report of the majority, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Kelly, Schwab, Seligman, Wallace, Welch and Wood—6.

Nays—The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, and Commissioners Crawford, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Tamsen and Traud.—9.

Commissioner HOLT moved to amend the report of the majority, by adding the following :

Resolved, That in case Mr. R. Hecksher, Jr., shall refuse to sign the contract for coal, as prepared by the Supplies Committee, or in case his sureties shall prove unsatisfactory to the Committee, the Committee be and are hereby authorized to readvertise for proposals for supplying the schools under the jurisdiction of this Board with coal for one year, beginning May 1, 1885.

Which was adopted.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the report of the Committee, as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, and Commissioners Crawford, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Tamsen and Traud—8.

Nays—Commissioners Kelly, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Wallace, Welch and Wood—7.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, announced that the report as

amended, having received a majority of the votes, a quorum being present, the report was adopted.

Commissioner WOOD appealed from the decision of the chair, on the ground that it required a majority of all the members of the Board to award a contract.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question: "Shall the decision of the Chair stand as the judgment of the Board?" and it was decided in the affirmative.

IN THE BOARD.

Commissioner WOOD presented a report from the Committee on Normal College, relative to the iron railing, &c., around the Normal College, as follows:

To the Board of Education:

The Committee on Normal College respectfully report; that on December 30, 1884, the Board appropriated the sum of \$7,900, for altering the iron railing, granite coping, flagging, &c., around the Normal College buildings, but no part of said money was to be paid "until the Board has determined the nature and amount of work to be done."

The Committee now reiterate the statements heretofore made that the work is necessary and should be done. A communication received from the Police Department, dated April 29th, of which the following is a copy, calls the attention of the Board to the dangerous condition of the flagging, &c.:

POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, }
NEW YORK, April 29, 1885. }

WM. WOOD, Esq.:

SIR—I would like to call your attention to the unsafe and dangerous condition of sidewalk, north side of Sixty-eighth street, and south side of Sixty-ninth street, between Lexington and Fourth avenue, east side between Sixty-eighth and

Sixty-ninth streets. The flagging is sunk and uneven, and needs to be relaid ; the curb stones are in some places sunk, and in other places six, seven and eight inches higher than the flagging on the sidewalk It needs repairing at once.

Very respectfully,

JOHN GUNNER,
Captain Twenty-eighth Precinct.

The Committee recommend that this Board determine that the whole of the work contained in the specifications, a copy of which is annexed, on which proposals were obtained, be done, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That this Board hereby determines that the whole of the work contained in the specifications for altering the iron railing, granite coping, flagging, &c., around the Normal College buildings, proposals for which were received in 1884, and an appropriation of \$7,900 made for the purpose on Dec. 30, 1884, shall be done under the direction of the Committee on Normal College, and the contract be awarded to John T. McDonald, he being the lowest bidder.

WILLIAM WOOD, J. EDWARD SIMMONS, G. SCHWAB, EUGENE KELLY, ISAAC BELL,	}	<i>Committee on Normal College.</i>
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Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner SCHWAB presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, submitting a statement of the condition of the "Buildings Contingent Fund," as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Committee on Warming and Ventilation, in compliance with section 53, subdivision 2, of the by-laws, respectfully submit herewith a statement in detail of the portion of the "Buildings Contingent Fund" under the control of the Committee, in-

cluding a statement of the expenditures allowed to May 1, 1885.

Respectfully submitted,

GUSTAV SCHWAB,
R. M. GALLAWAY,
F. W. DEVOE,
W. J. WELCH,
HENRY SCHMITT,

}

Committee on
Warming and
Ventilation.

May 6, 1885.

STATEMENT.

Portion of Fund to be expended under direction of Committee..... \$8,000 00

Expenditures.

WARD. SCHOOL.			
12.	G. S. 37.	New valves and repairs.....	\$42 65
13.	P. S. 20.	Repairing pipes.....	20 70
17.	P. S. 22.	Range.....	17 55
	G. S. 13.	Iron ceiling over boilers, &c.....	99 84
	G. S. 13.	Repairs.....	21 96
19.	G. S. 18.	Repair brick-work of boiler; stop-	
		cocks.....	42 03
			————— \$244 73

Authorized Expenditures.

12.	G. S. 68.	Heating new class-room.....	\$199 00
14.	G. S. 30.	2 new stoves.....	50 00
17.	P. S. 9.	Remove apparatus from part of	
		building being altered.....	50 00
20.	G. S. 33.	Alter apparatus.....	25 00
			————— 324 00

Total..... 588 73

Balance..... \$7,431 27

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom were referred the two reports of the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, recommending the payment of bills incurred by the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward, for repairs to Grammar School building No. 47, in 1884, amount six $\frac{2}{100}$ dollars, and to Grammar School

building No. 25, in Seventeenth Ward, also incurred in 1884, amount eighteen $\frac{54}{100}$ dollars; stating, that the Board has the financial ability to pay the amounts named from the incidental funds for 1884, of those Wards, as recommended.

The report of the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, relative to the Fifteenth Ward bills, is on pages 230, 231 of the Journal, and that in relation to the bills of the Seventeenth Ward is on page 233 of the Journal.

J. D. VERMILYE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
ISAAC BELL,		
EUGENE KELLY,		
DE WITT J. SELIGMAN,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Buildings, relative to the bills for extra work done by Thomas Cockerill, under his contract for the erection of the addition to Grammar School building No. 33, in the Twentieth Ward, and submitting a resolution authorizing an appropriation of eight thousand two hundred and eighty-six $\frac{72}{100}$ dollars (\$8,286.72), from the funds of 1884, for their payment; stating, that the Board has the financial ability to comply with the recommendation of that Committee, by making the appropriation from the special fund apportioned last year "For purchasing and procuring sites for and erecting new buildings, and for fitting up the same, * * * and for additions, enlargements and improvements of present school buildings," the remainder of said fund being now thirty-seven thousand six hundred and eight dollars (\$37,608.00).

The report of the Committee on Buildings upon this matter is on page 203 of the Journal.

J. D. VERMILYE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
ISAAC BELL,		
EUGENE KELLY,		
DE WITT J. SELIGMAN,		

Laid over under the rule.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Commissioner SCHMITT offered the following :

Resolved, That the Committee on Normal College investigate and report to this Board the number of students attending the College at the opening of the present term, and the number attending during April, 1885, who were not actual residents of the City of New York within the meaning of the law, and how many of said students attended in September last the first year's course, and how many attended said course during April, 1885.

Adopted.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Commissioner WOOD—

The Board adjourned.

LAWRENCE D. KIERNAN,

Clerk.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 20, 1885.

STATED SESSION.

Present—STEPHEN A. WALKER, Esq., President, and Commissioners BELL, CRARY, CRAWFORD, DEVOE, GALLAWAY, HOLT, PERKINS, POMEROY, SCHMITT, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, SIMMONS, TAMSEN, TRAUD, VERMILYE, WALLACE and WOOD—18.

Absent—Commissioners KELLY, WELCH and WETMORE—3.

The PRESIDENT announced for consideration the minutes of the session held on May 6, and directed that they be amended by striking out of the first line on page 300, the word “Car-mine,” and inserting “Cannon.”

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the session held on May 6th, as printed in the Journal, and amended, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners BELL, CRARY, GALLAWAY, HOLT, POMEROY, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, SIMMONS, TAMSEN, TRAUD, VERMILYE and WOOD—13.

COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Trustees of the Second and Seventeenth Wards, to excuse absence of teachers.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power conferred by the by-laws.

From the Trustees of the Fourth Ward, nominating teachers for Evening School No. 1.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, relative to the consolidation of Primary Schools Nos. 2 and 8.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, for placing fixed partitions on the entire third floor of G. S. No. 78.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, for authority to advertise for heating apparatus for the addition to G. S. No. 43.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, recommending Robert E. Steel for Trustee in place of Charles Crary, resigned.

Referred to the Committee on Nomination of Trustees.

From the Trustees of the Fourteenth Ward, nominating teachers for Female Evening School No. 21.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Fourteenth Ward, asking for the purchase of a lot adjoining G. S. No. 21.

Referred to the Committee on Sites and New Schools.

From the Trustees of the Fourteenth Ward, relative to vacation repairs.

So much as relates to buildings referred to the Committee on Buildings.

So much as relates to furniture referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

So much as relates to heating apparatus referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

From the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, asking for payment of the bill of McKenney & Scrafford, \$59.37, incurred on

G. S. No. 45, in 1882, from the unexpended balance of incidentals of G. S. No. 11, in 1882.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, for authority to advertise for proposals for heating apparatus for P. S. No. 9.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, for authority to advertise for proposals for furniture for P. S. No. 9.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, for authority to advertise for proposals for steam apparatus for Grammar School No. 82.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, for authority to advertise for proposals for furniture for Grammar School No. 82.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, asking for ward-robres in the class-rooms of G. S. No. 32, main building.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, for authority to purchase the premises adjoining G. S. No. 28, on the west side, for school purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Sites and New Schools.

CITY SUPERINTENDENT.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the report of the City Superintendent for the month of April, as follows :

CITY SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, }
NEW YORK, *May 20th*, 1885. }

To the Honorable the Board of Education :

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to submit herewith a report

of the transactions of the City Superintendent's Department for the month of April last.

The following schools were visited and examined: Grammar Schools Nos. 1, 6, 32, 46, 51, 59, 69, 75; Primary Schools Nos. 1, 4, 30, 32, 41; Male Department and Primary Department No. 2, and Primary Department No. 57; a total of 25 schools and 360 classes.

Of the 360 classes examined in these schools, the instruction in 264 was reported *excellent*, and in 96 *good*.

The discipline in 357 classes either examined or inspected was reported *excellent*, and in 14 *good*.

In general management 22 schools were found to be *excellent* and 3 *good*.

On the twenty-second of the month the Nautical School was visited and examined. The school, with a register number of 94 pupils and an attendance of 67, consists of four classes instructed by three teachers. Classes 1 and 2 were examined in Reading, Spelling, Penmanship, Geography, English Grammar and Arithmetic.

The discipline, instruction and management of the school were reported *excellent*.

The monthly returns of the Principals of the Grammar and Primary Schools show that there were on register on the thirtieth day of April 140,182 pupils, with a daily average attendance during the month of 129,583. This is an increase of 1,467 in enrollment and 3,413 in attendance, when compared with the corresponding month last year.

The whole number of days lost by absence of teachers was 2,554, an increase of 381 as compared with the month of April 1884.

Appended will be found a list of teachers in whose classes the absenteeism for the month was in excess of twenty per cent

Very respectfully,

JOHN JASPER,

City Superintendent.

List of Teachers in whose classes the absenteeism was in excess of twenty per cent during the month of April, 1885.

School.		Name of Teacher.	Per Cent.	School.		Name of Teacher.	Per Cent.
G. D.	80.	M. E. Eato.....	21	P. S.	20.	M. E. Black.....	30
P. D.	80.	E. B. Magnan.....	22	"	46.	E. Murray.....	23
P. S.	16.	E. J. Nicholson.....	22				

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

From the City Superintendent, recommending the removal of a teacher for incompetency and insubordination.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From Richard J. Morrison, Secretary to the Mayor, notifying the Board of the appointment of Brian G. Hughes, as Inspector, as follows:

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, *May 14, 1885.* }

LAWRENCE D. KIERNAN, Esq.,
Clerk Board of Education :

DEAR SIR—Mayor GRACE directs me to inform you that he has this day appointed BRIAN G. HUGHES, Esq., an Inspector of Common Schools in the Eighth School District of the City of New York, in the place of John E. Eustis, Esq., resigned.

Yours respectfully,
RICHARD J. MORRISON,
Secretary.

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes.

From Chas. V. Adee, Clerk of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, relative to the transfer of school moneys of 1883, as follows :

Resolved, That the sum of three thousand six hundred and sixty-three dollars and ninety-seven cents (\$3,663.97) be and is hereby transferred from the appropriation made to the Board of Education for the year 1883, entitled "For Public Instruction—For salaries of Teachers, Janitors, Superintendents, Clerks," etc., which is in excess of the amount required for the purposes and objects thereof, to the appropriation made for the same year "For purchasing and Procuring Sites for and Erecting New Buildings and for Fitting up the same, under the charge of the Board of Education," for which purposes and objects the appropriation is insufficient.

A true copy of resolution adopted by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment at a meeting held May 15, 1885.

CHAS. V. ADEE, *Clerk*.

From the Directors of the Hebrew Technical Institute, inviting the Board of Education to attend the exhibition of the work of pupils of the Institute on Thursday, May 28th, at 2 o'clock, P. M.

On motion of Commissioner SELIGMAN, said invitation was accepted.

Ordered, That said communication be placed on file.

From Annette & Vanderveer, asking that their disinfectant be added to the list of supplies.

Referred to the Committee on Supplies.

From Mrs. Emma T. Kilmer, F. D. G. S. No. 8, asking for pay for services rendered as Acting Principal.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

A communication from a parent with reference to the treatment of his child.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

RESOLUTIONS TO BE REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Commissioner VERMILYE moved that the reference of the communication relative to M. L. Phillips, Trustee of the Eleventh Ward, to the Committee on Nomination of Trustees (Journal, page 285) be reconsidered.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT thereupon referred said communication to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

REPORTS LAID OVER UNDER THE RULE.

The PRESIDENT announced for consideration the report of the Committee on Evening Schools, denying the application of the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward to establish a mixed Senior and Junior Evening School for Females in Grammar School Building No. 19, Journal, p. 263, p. 291.

On motion of Commissioner TAMSEN said report was recommended.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Auditing Committee, to dismiss the complaint of F. R. Hall against an employee of the Board, Journal, p. 295.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, excusing the absence of teachers, with full pay, Journal, pp. 295, 296, 297.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Vermilye and Wood—17.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on

Teachers, recommending the removal of Miss Rachel S. Gorlitz, P. D. G. S. No. 25, for insubordination, Journal, pp. 297-299.

Commissioner SELIGMAN moved that said report be laid over.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crary, Devoe, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen and Wallace—8.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Traud, Vermilye and Wood—10.

Commissioner TAMSEN moved that said report be laid on the table.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, a majority not voting therefor, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crary, Devoe, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Vermilye and Wallace—9.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Traud and Wood—9.

Commissioner DEVOE moved that the report be laid over to the next meeting, and keep its place on the schedule.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crary, Devoe, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen and Wallace—8.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Traud, Vermilye and Wood—10.

Commissioner DEVOE moved that the Board go into executive session for the consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would

agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crary, Devoe, Schmitt, Seligman, Tamsen and Wallace—6.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schwab, Simmons, Traud, Vermilye and Wood—12.

Commissioner SCHMITT moved that the report be recommitted.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crary, Devoe, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Vermilye and Wallace—9.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Traud and Wood—9.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the negative, three-fourths of the Board not voting therefor, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Traud, Vermilye and Wood—13.

Nays—Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Tamsen and Wallace—5.

Commissioner CRAWFORD moved that said vote be reconsidered.

Which was adopted.

Commissioner CRAWFORD moved that the report be laid over, and retain its place on the schedule.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Course of Study and School Books to place "Exercises and

Songs for School and Home—Part II," on the list of supplies, Journal, p. 299.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the negative, three-fourths of the members not voting therefor, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Vermilye and Wallace—14.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioner Wood—2.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, recommending the organization of a new Female Grammar School, with F. D. No. 34 and P. S. No. 10 for the Primary Department, and the reorganization of G. S. No. 34 with the Male and Primary Departments only, and providing building accommodation for said Female Grammar School, Journal, pp. 299, 300.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on School Furniture, denying the application of the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward to substitute settees for desks in six classrooms of P. D. G. S. No. 77, Journal, p. 303.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Buildings, denying the application of the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward to fit up premises in rear of G. S. No. 37, on Eighty-eighth street, for school purposes, Journal, pp. 304, 305.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Buildings, to pay Charles Eschenbach \$68 for care of premises No. 17 St. Mark's Place, for February and March, 1885, Journal, p. 307.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Vermilye, Wallace and Wood—15.

The PRESIDENT called Commissioner CRAWFORD to the Chair.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced the report of the Committee on Buildings, to employ two assistant draughtsmen from May 1 to August 1, 1885, Journal, pp. 307, 308.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace and Wood—14.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced the report of the Committee on Normal College, asking the Board to confirm the award of contract for altering the iron railing, coping, flagging, &c., around the Normal College buildings, and to authorize the work, &c., Journal, pp. 317, 318.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced the report of the Finance Committee, on the ability of the Board to pay \$6.87 for G. S. No. 47, and \$18.54 for G. S. No. 25 (1884), Journal, pp. 319, 320.

On motion of Commissioner TAMSEN—

Laid over, and to retain its place on the schedule.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced the report of the Finance Committee, on the ability to pay Thomas Cockerill a bill for extra work on the addition to G. S. No. 33, Twentieth Ward, \$8,286.72, from the funds of 1884, Journal, p. 320.

On motion of Commissioner POMEROY—

Laid over, and to retain its place on the schedule.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, in the matter of the appeal of Mr. G. B. Hendrickson from the action of the City Superintendent in declining to grant him a license; stating, that the giving or withholding of a license to teach in public schools of this city is vested by statute in the City Superintendent of Schools, and the Board of Education has no jurisdiction in respect to questions of this kind. It is therefore recommended that the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject, by the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Teachers be discharged from the further consideration of the appeal of Mr. G. B. Hendrickson from the action of the City Superintendent in declining to grant him a license to teach in the Public Schools.

EUGENE H. POMEROY,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom were referred applications from Trustees, to excuse the absence of teachers, with full pay; stating, that the cause of absence in each case reported herein is personal illness.

A statement is submitted, showing the record of each applicant for the past five years.

The Committee recommend that the absences be excused, with full pay, for the time stated in the column "Time allowed," in the following resolution, which is submitted for adoption:

Resolved, That the following-named teachers be excused for absence, with full pay, for the "time allowed" herein:

WARD.	School.	Name.	Time Allowed.	Years of Service.	Instruction.	Discipline.	No. Days Lost.	Exc. with full pay.
1st.	P. D. 29.	Mary A. Veitch.....	9 d. April...	8	{ Good...1 y..... } Ex.....4 y.Ex..... }		65	15 d.
	P. D. 29.	Joanna C. Rice.....	3 d. April...	14	{ Good...2 y..... } Ex.....3 y.Ex..... }		47	7½ d.
	M. D. 29.	Henry E. Jenkins.....	2½ d. April..	9	{ Good...1 y..... } Ex.....4 y.Ex..... }		15	.....
4th.	M. D. 1.	Rose J. Kelly.....	May 1 to 20..	15	{ Good...3 y.Good.1 y. } Ex.....2 y.Ex...4 y. }		14	2 d.
6th.	P. S. 8.	Elizabeth McKeon.....	4 d. April....	16	{ Good...1 y.Good.1 y. } Ex.....4 y.Ex...4 y. }		12	.....
7th.	P. S. 36.	Florence N. Tyler.....	{ 6 d. April.. } 3 d. May.. }	7	{ Good...1 y.Good.1 y. } Ex.....4 y.Ex...4 y. }		5	.....
	P. S. 36.	Cath. F. Cummings....	{ 7 d. Feb.... } 8 d. March }	20	{Good.1 y. } Good.....Ex...4 y. }		53	48 d.
	P. D. 2.	Eliza F. Doherty.....	2 d. March..	8	{ Good...1 y..... } Ex.....4 y.Ex..... }		16	.....
8th.	M. D. 38.	Maggie Garvin.....	{ 10 d. March } 19 d. April. }	16	{ Good...2 y..... } Ex.....3 y.Ex..... }		37	5 d.
	F. D. 88.	Mary E. Tate.....	3 d. March..	17	Ex.....Ex.....		16	.....
	F. D. 38.	Frances C. Church.....	7 d. April...	33	{ Management. } Good...1 y.Ex...4 y. }		.....	.....
	P. D. 38.	Grace Cook.....	1 d. April...	13	{ Good...1 y..... } Ex.....4 y.Ex..... }		6	.....
	P. D. 8.	Minnie A. Ferguson...	2 d. April....	8	{ Good...3 y..... } Ex.....2 y.Ex..... }		62	.....
9th.	P. D. 41.	Fanny L. Moore.....	4 d. April....	7	Ex.....Ex.....		8	.....
10th.	F. D. 7.	Sarah Price.....	17 d. April....	19	Ex.....Ex.....		46	26 d.
	F. D. 42.	Caroline Hopkins.....	17 d. April....	35	{ Management. } Good...1 y.Ex...4 y. }		95	17 d.
	P. D. 42.	Ella F. Carey.....	10½ d. April...	6	Ex.....Ex.....		6	.....
	P. D. 42.	Maggie C. Sheridan....	2½ d. April...	5	Ex.....Ex.....		26	.....
11th.	F. D. 22.	Cornelia Howe.....	3 d. April....	28	Ex.....Ex.....		15	3 d.
12th.	P. S. 30.	Mary S. Cunningham..	4 d. April....	20	Management Excel'nt		26	10 d.
	F. D. 78.	Harriet E. Crawford...	4 d. April....	15	Ex.....Ex.....		19	.....
	P. D. 57.	Emma L. Sowden.....	3 d. Dec. '84.	17	Ex.....Ex.....		64	51½ d.
	F. D. 68.	Emma L. Seaman.....	3 d. Jan.....	17	Ex.....Ex.....		44	.....
	P. D. 78.	Annie T. Smart.....	6 d. April...	5	{ Ex. ....1 y.Ex. 2 y... } Good...1 y..... } Not examined.....3 y. }		52	13 d.
13th.	F. D. 4.	Emeline F. Garvey.....	1 d. April...	14	Ex.....Ex.....		5	.....
	P. D. 34.	Mary C. Finn.....	{ 9 d. March } 5 d. April. }	21	{ Good...2 y..... } Ex.....3 y.Ex..... }		58	8 d.
	P. D. 34.	Rachel Boniface	3 d. April...	6	Ex.....Ex.....		109	.....
15th.	M. D. 19.	Pauline F. Holmes.....	13 d. April...	5	{ Fair....1 y..... } Good...1 y..... } Ex. 3y.....Ex..... }		45	.....
	F. D. 10.	Cath. Lockman.....	{ 19 d. April. } 19 d. May.. }	16	Ex.....Ex.....		47	22 d.
	P. D. 10.	Mary A. Connell.....	3 d. Nov., '84	19	{ Ex. 2 y.....Ex. 4 y... } Good...3 y.Good..1 y. }		12	2 d.
	P. D. 35.	Helen E. Wyman.....	3 d. Nov., '84	8	Ex.....Ex.....		3	.....
	M. D. 35.	Pauline Vergnes.	18 d. May....	8	{ Good...2 y.Good.1 y. } Ex.....3 y.Ex...4 y. }		85	45 d.
16th.	F. D. 56.	A. V. Sutton	2 d. March..	30	Management Excellent		10	.....
	F. D. 45.	Jane White.....	1 d. April....	28	{ Good...1 y..... } Ex.....4 y.Ex..... }		42	9 d.
	P. D. 56.	Lucretia E. McGuire...	5 d. April....	37	Management Excellent		34	10 d.

WARD.	School.	Name.	Time Allowed.	Years of Service.	Instruction.	Discipline.	No. Days Lost.	Exc. with full pay.
17th.	P. D. 13.	Lydia O. Sherwood.....	1 d. April....	11	{ Ex.....3 y. Ex....3 y. }	{ General Assistant.2 y. }	72	29 d.
	P. D. 19.	Alice A. Buckbee.....	13 d. April...	11	{ Good...2 y. Good.1 y. }	{ Ex.....3 y. Ex....4 y. }	29	17 d.
	P. D. 19.	Mary E. Barnum.....	11 d. April...	22	Ex.....	Ex.....	56	45 d.
	F. D. 25.	Carrie E. Cox.....	3½ d. April..	17	{ Good...1 y. }	{ Ex.....4 y. Ex..... }	50	27 d.
	P. S. 6.	Mary C. Hepburn.....	1 d. April...	30	{ Management. }	{ Good...1 y. Ex. ...4 y. }	82	59 d.
18th.	G. D. 50.	Mary Holmes.....	3 d. April...	12	Ex.....	Ex.....	10	3 d.
	G. D. 50.	Anna M. Sayles.....	5½ d. April..	10	Ex.....	Ex.....	31	.....
	P. S. 28.	Sarah E. Crouchley....	3 d. April...	24	Ex.....	Ex.....	12	.....
19th.	M. D. 27.	Bertha Adler.....	13 d. April...	6	{ Good...1 y. }	{ Ex.....4 y. Ex..... }	35	8 d.
	P. D. 70.	A. B. Mahoney.....	12½ d. April..	24	Ex.....	Ex.....	58	18 d.
	F. D. 59.	K. D. Blake.....	6 d. April...	8	Ex.....	Ex.....	11	.....
	M. D. 74.	John Walsh.....	1 d. April...	21	Ex.....	Ex.....	4	.....
21st.	M. D. 14.	Nicholas J. Maybee..	{ 11 d. March }	17	{ Good...2 y. Good.2 y. }	{ Ex.....3 y. Ex....3 y. }	5	.....
			{ 6 d. April. }					
22d.	F. D. 28.	Eliza S. Daakam.....	8 d. April...	24	Ex.....	Ex.....	50	33 d.
	P. D. 28.	Cora E. Hopping.....	3½ d. April..	7	Ex.....	Ex.....	50	1 d.
	M. D. 51.	Sarah E. Beck.....	5 d. April...	14	Ex.....	Ex.....	16	.....
	M. D. 51.	Helen L. Curtis.....	13 d. April...	14	{ Good..1 y. }	{ Ex..... Ex....4 y. }	29	4 d.
	G. D. 18.	Chas. L. Reason.....	2 d. April....	29	{ Management. }	{ Good...1 y. Ex....4 y. }	2	.....
23d.	G. D. 60.	Nellie McL. Thompson.	19 d. April....	25	{ Ex.....4 y. }	{ Good...1 y. Ex..... }	65	24 d.
	P. S. 33.	Hattie E. Hall.....	May 6 to 31..	24	Ex.....	Ex.....	68	25 d.
	G. D. 62.	Jennie E. Fash.....	{ 19 d. April. }	17	Ex.....	Ex.....	9	3 d.
			{ 21 d. May.. }					
	P. D. 62.	Nellie E. Sinclair.....	{ 12 d. April. }	6	{ Ex.....4 y. }	{ Good...1 y. Ex..... }	12	.....
			{ 21 d May... }					

EUGENE H. POMEROY,
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,
WILLIAM WOOD,

} Committee
on
Teachers.

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner TRAUD presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, submitting to the Board for confirmation the name of Jacob T. Boyle, for Principal of the Evening High School, for the term of 1885 and 1886.

Mr. J. S. Babcock, the former Principal, has declined a re-appointment.

Mr. Boyle is in every way qualified to perform the duties of the position.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :
Resolved, That Jacob T. Boyle be, and hereby is appointed

Principal of the Evening High School for the term of 1885 and 1886.

FERDINAND TRAUD, CHARLES CRARY, R. M. GALLAWAY, HENRY SCHMITT,	}	<i>Committee on Evening Schools.</i>
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Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Sites and New Schools, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, for the purchase of a lot of ground situated on the west side of Grammar School No. 28, on the north side of West Fortieth street, between Seventh and Eighth avenues, being about 25 feet front and rear, by 98 feet 9 inches deep, for the sum of \$16,000; stating, that the owners of said lot contemplate erecting thereon a large tenement house, which would greatly injure the school premises, and deprive many of the class-rooms of the light and ventilation which are essential to the health of the children attending said school. Upon the east side of said school building there is already built close to it a house of such height, that it greatly injures that side of the building by darkening the class-rooms to an uncomfortable degree. The Committee, therefore, deem it advisable that this lot should be purchased, The Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward consider the price asked, \$16,000, a fair one.

Resolved, That the sum of sixteen thousand dollars (\$16,000) be and the same is hereby appropriated from the "Reserve Fund of 1885," for the purchase of a lot of ground situated on the west side of Grammar School No. 28, on the north side of West Fortieth street, between Seventh and Eighth avenues, commencing at a point about 175 feet from the northeast corner of Eighth avenue and Fortieth street; said lot being about 25 feet front and rear, by 98 feet 9 inches deep; and the Comptroller of the City of New York is hereby authorized to pay from the Fund of 1885 for Public Instruction, the said sum of sixteen thousand dollars (\$16,000).

for the premises named, to be used for school purposes, upon the presentation to him of the deed for the same, together with the certificate of the Counsel to the Corporation that the title thereto is satisfactory and free from all incumbrances, and is vested in the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

EUGENE H. POMEROY,	} Committee on Sites and New Schools.
CHARLES L. HOLT,	
G. SCHWAB,	
WM. B. WALLACE,	

Referred to the Finance Committee to report at this meeting of the Board.

Commissioner SCHWAB presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation relative to new heating apparatus, repairs, &c., in the schools of several Wards, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Committee on Warming and Ventilation respectfully report :

That they have had under consideration applications from Trustees for new heating apparatus for G. S. 23, and Primary School No. 8, in the Sixth Ward ; Grammar School No. 31, in the Seventh Ward ; Grammar School No. 11, in the Sixteenth Ward ; Primary School No. 26, in the Seventeenth Ward ; Grammar School No. 82, in the Nineteenth Ward, and Grammar School No. 67, in the Twenty-second Ward. Also, to alter and enlarge the heating apparatus in G. S. No. 75, in the Tenth Ward ; G. S. No. 34, in the Thirteenth Ward ; Primary School No. 9, in the Seventeenth Ward, and G. S. No. 33, in the Twentieth Ward.

The schools for which application is made for new apparatus, except Grammar School Nos. 11 and 82, are heated by stoves, and the buildings are not sufficiently warmed during the winter months. If steam be substituted in these buildings, the annual cost of fuel will be considerably reduced, and the schools kept comfortably warmed.

G. S. No. 11 is heated by hot-air furnaces. The furnaces and pipes are worn out, and cannot be made to do service another season, without the expenditure of a large sum of money in making repairs; and even if this be done, it is doubtful whether the building will be satisfactorily heated. It is a matter of economy that a steam heating apparatus should be placed therein.

Grammar School No. 82 is a new building in course of erection, and it is necessary at this time that steps should be taken toward placing the apparatus therein, in order to permit of the opening of the school in the fall of the present year.

With reference to the schools for which applications to alter, repair, enlarge, &c., the heating apparatus are made, the Committee would respectfully state :

That to properly heat G. S. No. 75, additional heating surface is required in a number of rooms, besides some slight repairs.

In G. S. No. 34 the absolute want of proper drafts renders the working of the apparatus ineffectual.

P. S. No. 9, in the Seventeenth Ward, is being enlarged by the erection of an addition thereto, and when completed, the school is to be known as G. S. No. 79. It is necessary that the apparatus should be altered and enlarged to heat the entire building.

In G. S. No. 33 it is proposed to remove the boilers from the old building, and connect with the apparatus in the addition recently erected, new boilers of sufficient size to heat both buildings having recently been placed in the addition.

In the opinion of your Committee, all the work herein referred to is necessary, and the following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the School Trustees of the Wards named herein be, and they hereby are authorized to advertise in the *City Record*, for two weeks, for proposals for heating apparatus work, as follows :

- 6th Ward.—G. S. 23, new steam heating apparatus.
 P. S. 8, “ “ “
 7th Ward.—G. S. 31, “ “ “
 10th Ward.—G. S. 75, alter, repair, &c., “
 13th Ward.—G. S. 34, alter, improve, &c., “
 16th Ward.—G. S. 11, new steam heating “
 17th Ward.—P. S. 9, alter and enlarge “
 17th Ward.—P. S. 26, new steam heating “
 19th Ward.—G. S. 82, “ “ “
 20th Ward.—G. S. 33, remove old boilers and connect with
 new additions, repairs, &c.
 22d Ward.—G. S. 67, new steam apparatus.

Plans and specifications to be prepared by the Engineer of the Board and approved by the Committee on Warming and Ventilation and Trustees of the Wards named herein.

GUSTAV SCHWAB,	} Committee on Warming and Ventilation.
R. M. GALLAWAY,	
F. W. DEVOE,	
HENRY SCHMITT,	

Commissioner SCHWAB asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner SELIGMAN presented a report from the Committee on Supplies, to whom were referred the communications from the “Harkness,” “Flagg” and “Hayward” Fire Extinguisher Companies, requesting to have their respective Hand Grenade Fire Extinguishers furnished to the schools under the jurisdiction of the Board; stating, that after a careful consideration of the matter, they are of the opinion that the applications should be denied, and offer for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the applications received from the Harkness Fire Extinguisher Company: Aiken Brothers, General Managers for the Flagg Fire Extinguisher Company, and

Thomas Bloomer, Agent for the Hayward Fire Extinguisher Company, to have their respective Hand Grenade Fire Extinguishers furnished to the schools under the control of the Board be and the same are hereby denied.

DEWITT J. SELIGMAN, CHARLES L. HOLT, H. B. PERKINS, HENRY SCHMITT,	} Committee on Supplies.
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Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom were referred the applications from the Trustees of the Seventh Ward for alterations, &c., to be made in Grammar School building No. 31 ; stating that this building was erected in 1844, and wings were added thereto in 1857. The outside walls are in fair condition, but the interior of the building needs a general overhauling to make it as comfortable as it should be. A number of wood ceilings should be substituted for plastered ceilings.

There are stone stairs at the rear of the building, but none at the front, and in the opinion of your Committee a fire-proof stairway should be erected in the front part of the building.

The Committee recommend that the Trustees be authorized to advertise for proposals for doing this work, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the School Trustees of the Seventh Ward be and they hereby are authorized to advertise in the *City Record* for two weeks for proposals for altering and improving Grammar School building No. 31. Plans and specifications to be prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the Committee on Buildings and Trustees of the Ward herein named.

F. W. DEVOE, G. SCHWAB, R. M. GALLAWAY, EUGENE H. POMEROY,	} Committee on Buildings.
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Commissioner DEVOE asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the janitors of the public schools asking for an increase in their salaries ; stating, that the Board has no fund at its disposal with which to increase the appropriation made for salaries of janitors. The Committee, therefore, recommend that the application be denied, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the application of the janitors of the public schools for an increase in their salaries be and the same is hereby denied.

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
G. SCHWAB,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, to rehire the premises on northwest corner of One Hundred and Fifth street and Third avenue, occupied by Primary Department Grammar School No. 83 ; stating that on April 15, 1885, this Board authorized the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward to rehire these premises from month to month, from May 1st, at a rent of \$166.66 per month, or until the completion of the new building in East One Hundred and Tenth street, to which this department is to be transferred.

Since taking the above action, the property has been sold, and the owner refuses to execute a lease for less than one year from May 1, on the same terms, viz., \$2,000 per annum.

From present appearances the new building will not be ready for occupancy until next year, and the Committee there-

fore recommend that the application be granted, and submit the following resolutions for adoption :

Resolved, That the resolution adopted April 15, 1885, (Journal, p. 267,) authorizing the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward to rehire the premises on the northwest corner of One Hundred and Fifth street and Third avenue, occupied by Primary Department of Grammar School No. 83, from month to month from May 1, 1885, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Resolved, That the School Trustees of the Twelfth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to rehire the premises on the northwest corner of One Hundred and Fifth street and Third avenue, occupied by Primary Department Grammar School No. 83, for one year from May 1, 1885, at an annual rent of two thousand dollars (\$2,000). The other provisions of the lease applicable, to be the same as those in force in the lease expiring on that date.

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
G. SCHWAB,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		

Commissioner DEVOE asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

Commissioner DEVOE asked and obtained leave to withdraw the first resolution.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, to authorize the hiring of said premises, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Holt, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace and Wood—12.

Commissioner HOLT presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, to whom were referred applications from the Trustees of the Seventeenth and Nineteenth Wards for

authority to advertise for proposals for the necessary furniture for Primary School building No. 9 and Grammar School building No. 82, respectively ; stating, that the addition in course of erection to Primary School building No. 9 and the new building being erected for Grammar School No. 82 are nearly completed, and it is necessary that action should be taken at this time toward supplying the furniture required for these schools.

The Committee submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the School Trustees of the Seventeenth and Nineteenth Wards be, and they hereby are authorized to advertise in the *City Record* for two weeks for proposals for doing the following described work :

17th Ward. New furniture and alterations of furniture in Primary School building No. 9.

19th Ward. New furniture for Grammar School building No. 82.

Plans and specifications to be prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the Committee on School Furniture and the Trustees of the Wards named.

CHAS. L. HOLT,	}	<i>Committee on School Furniture.</i>
J. D. VERMILYE,		
EDWARD J. H. TAMSEN,		
H. B. PERKINS,		

Commissioner HOLT asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WOOD presented a report from the Committee on Normal College, stating, that for the preservation of the College buildings certain repairs, painting, &c., &c., are necessary to be made during the summer vacation. The Committee propose to make these repairs, &c., from the incidental expense account of the Normal College, but as the work will exceed

\$200 in cost, they respectfully ask for authority to advertise for proposals for doing the same, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the Committee on Normal College be, and they hereby are authorized to advertise in the *City Record*, for two weeks, for proposals for making certain repairs, painting, &c., in the Normal College buildings, the expense of such repairs, &c., to be paid from the incidental expense account of the Normal College. Plans and specifications to be prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the Committee on Normal College.

WILLIAM WOOD,	}	<i>Committee on Normal College.</i>
ISAAC BELL,		
GUSTAV SCHWAB,		
J. EDWARD SIMMONS,		

Commissioner WOOD asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Sites and New Schools, recommending the purchase of a plot of ground on West Fortieth street, on the west side of Grammar School building No. 28, for the sum of sixteen thousand dollars (\$16,000); stating, that the Board has the financial ability to make the requisite appropriation, as submitted by that Committee, whose report on this subject is on pp. 337, 338 of the Journal of this date.

J. D. VERMILYE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
ISAAC BELL,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance

Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on School Furniture, recommending the payment of a bill of Baker, Pratt & Co., for furniture placed in Grammar School building No. 60, in 1884; amount, \$50; stating, that the Board has the financial ability to authorize such payment.

The report of the Committee on School Furniture relative to this bill is on page 304 of the Journal.

J. D. VERMILYE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
ISAAC BELL,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the bill of the New York Turn Verein, for six months' rent of the premises Nos. 15 and 17 East Third street, due the first inst., amount, seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$750); stating, that this bill is due, and is certified and audited by the School Trustees and Inspectors, as required on former bills for the same premises.

As they have been and continue to be occupied by Primary School No. 6, your Committee submit a resolution authorizing its payment, with the suggestion that the Trustees of the Ward submit some proposition for renting the building for a limited time at a specified rental, anticipating these periodic claims.

Resolved, That payment to the New York Turn Verein, lessors of premises Nos. 15 and 17 East Third street, occupied by Primary School No. 6, of the sum of seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$750) for six months' rent claimed as due on the first instant, be and the same is hereby authorized, upon the usual approval of the same by the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward.

J. D. VERMILYE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
ISAAC BELL,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
DE WITT J. SELIGMAN,		

Laid over under the rule.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Commissioner DEVOE—

The Board adjourned.

LAWRENCE D. KIERNAN,
Clerk.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3, 1885.

STATED SESSION.

Present—STEPHEN A. WALKER, Esq., President, and Commissioners BELL, CRARY, CRAWFORD, DEVOE, GALLAWAY, HOLT, KELLY, PERKINS, POMEROY, SCHMITT, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, TAMSEN, TRAUD, WALLACE, WELCH, WETMORE and WOOD—19.

Absent—Commissioners SIMMONS and VERMILYE—2.

On motion, Commissioners SIMMONS and VERMILYE were excused for absence from this meeting of the Board.

The PRESIDENT announced for consideration the minutes of the session held on May 20, and put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the session held on May 20th, as printed in the Journal, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners BELL, CRARY, DEVOE, GALLAWAY, HOLT, KELLY, PERKINS, POMEROY, SCHMITT, SCHWAB, TAMSEN, TRAUD, WALLACE, WELCH, WETMORE and WOOD—17.

COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Trustees of the First, Fourth, Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, Ninth, Tenth, Eleventh, Twelfth, Thirteenth, Fifteenth, Sixteenth, Seventeenth, Eighteenth, Nineteenth, Twentieth,

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Present—Commissioners SIMMONS and VERMILYE—2.

In motion, Commissioners SIMMONS and VERMILYE were excused for absence from this meeting of the Board.

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From the Trustees of the First, Fourth, Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, Ninth, Tenth, Eleventh, Twelfth, Thirteenth, Fifteenth, Sixteenth, Seventeenth, Eighteenth, Nineteenth, Twentieth,

Twenty-first, Twenty-second and Twenty-third Wards, asking to excuse the absence of teachers, &c.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power conferred by the by-laws.

From the Trustees of the Fifth, Seventh, Eighth, Ninth, Tenth, Eleventh, Sixteenth, Seventeenth, Eighteenth, Nineteenth, Twentieth, Twenty-second and Twenty-third Wards, nominating teachers for Evening Schools.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the First Ward, recommending the closing of Evening School No. 29.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the First Ward, recommending the consolidation of the three departments of G. S. No. 29.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, relative to compensation of Janitor of G. S. No. 3.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, for authority to pull down the two buildings in rear of G. S. No. 37, on East Eighty-eighth street, and to make the premises suitable for school yard accommodation, &c.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward, for alterations in radiators, G. S. No. 10.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

From the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward, to excavate and construct coal vaults under sidewalk of G. S. No. 35, to make room for electric light boiler.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings and to the Auditing Committee.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, to close P. S. No. 9, on June 15th, to enable contractors to finish the building, and to dismiss sundry classes in G. S. No. 13, etc.

By unanimous consent Commissioner TAMSEN offered the following resolution in connection with said communication :

Resolved, That the School Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward be, and they hereby are empowered to dispense with the school sessions of P. S. No. 9, and such classes of M. D. No. 13, in said building, that cannot be provided for, from June 15th to July 3d, inclusive, without detriment to salaries of teachers and janitor.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—18.

Nay—Commissioner Pomeroy—1.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, for authority to rehire Nos. 15 and 17 East Third street for P. S. No. 6.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, asking for repairs to furniture, &c., G. S. Nos. 40 and 50.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for the payment of bill of Mrs. Sarah E. Halley, for care of Grammar School No. 18.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-first Ward, recommending the removal of a teacher, and endorsed by three Inspectors of the Sixth District.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-first Ward, to alter and enlarge the annex to G. S. No. 49, in East Thirty-seventh street.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, for repairs to Grammar School building No. 51.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

CITY SUPERINTENDENT.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the report of the operations of the Truancy Department for the month of May, as follows :

CITY SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, }
NEW YORK, *June 3, 1885.* }

To the Honorable the Board of Education :

GENTLEMEN—I submit herewith the report of the Truancy Department for the month of May last.

During that time the total number of cases investigated and closed was 1,402.

Of this number, 342 reported as truants, and 171 as non-attendants, were placed in school.

A detailed statement of the month's work is appended.

Very respectfully,

JOHN JASPER,

City Superintendent.

SCHEDULE.

Total number of visits made.....	2,633
To homes.....	1,927
“ schools.....	672
“ stores and factories.....	34
Total.....	<u>2,633</u>

Total number of cases investigated and closed	1,402
Children kept at home by parents	360
“ “ “ sickness	169
“ “ “ poverty	32
“ taught at home	1
“ mentally or physically disqualified	19
“ transferred from one school to another	33
“ under eight and over fourteen years of age	39
“ withdrawn from school { left the city	7
“ “ { gone to work	38
“ whose residences could not be found	187
Truants returned to school	342
“ committed to Reformatory Institutions by parents through agents	1
Non-attendants placed in school	171
“ “ committed to Reformatory Institu- tions by parents through agents	2
Committed to New York Catholic Protectory	1
“ “ “ Juvenile Asylum	0
Brought before a Justice and discharged	0
Total	<u>1,402</u>

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

FROM THE CLERK.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from the Clerk, submitting a statement of the changes in the *personnel* of the teachers since March 18, 1885, as follows :

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, }
NEW YORK, June 1, 1885. }

To the Honorable the Board of Education :

GENTLEMEN—As required by a resolution adopted December 7, 1881, I herewith submit a statement showing the changes in the *personnel* of the teachers in each school under the jurisdic-

tion of the Board of Education since my last report, March 18th.

Very respectfully,

L. D. KIERNAN,

Clerk.

WARD.

1885.

- 6th. Kate A. Wallace.....F. D. 24, appointed additional teacher, May 5.
 7th. Bertha LeopoldP. D. 2, transfer from F. D. 31, March 1.
 Jennie V. McLean.....F. D. 31, " " P. D. 2, "
 Bridget D. Sweeny... ..P. D. 2, " " M. D. 12, "
 Kate McLean.....M. D. 12, " " P. D. 2, "
 9th. Etta J. Pierce.....P. S. 24, deceased Feb. 22.
 Margaret J. Young.... ..P. S. 24, appointed March 1.
 10th. Mary A. Higgins.....P. D. 20, " "
 Tillie E. Ludlum.....F. D. 42, resigned "
 Esther P. HymanF. D. 42, transfer from P. D. 20, March 1.
 Adele L. Detviller.....P. S. 1, appointed additional teacher, April 28.
 11th. Julia Ziegler.....P. S. 5, transfer from F. D. 36, April 1.
 12th. Fannie C. Hamlin.....P. D. 39, appointed Feb. 10.
 Agnes E. Freedman.....P. D. 68, resigned March 10.
 Mabel Bernhard..... ..P. D. 57, transfer "
 Mamie A. Knox.....P. D. 68, appointed "
 Emma A. Kuhne..... ..P. D. 68, transfer "
 Helen Ferris.....P. D. 68, appointed " 21.
 Mrs. Mary F. Manny.,....M. D. 57, removed "
 Lizzie D. Dusen.....P. D. 57, appointed "
 Ella Finney.....M. D. 57, transfer from P. D. 57, March 21.
 Josephine M. Kiernan....P. D. 78, appointed April 18.
 15th. Phoebe A. Bennett.....F. D. 47, resigned " 1.
 Clara E. Waldeyer.....F. D. 47, appointed " 1.
 18th. Thos. F. Carley.....M. D. 40, deceased March 6.
 John J. McNulty... ..M. D. 40, appointed " 18.
 Margaret A. Sowter.....P. S. 4, appointed additional teacher, March 27.
 Annie F. Thorne.....P. D. 50, " " " May 1.
 18th. Sarah L. MolloyM. D. 40, " " " "
 Julia L. Costello.....P. D. 40, " " " " 8.
 19th. Annie O'Connell.....M. D. 77, appointed Feb. 15.
 Mary Renn.....P. D. 76, appointed additional teacher, Feb. 1.
 Mary J. Schroeder.....P. D. 53, transfer from P. S. 35, April 1.
 Mary Douglass.....P. S. 35, " P. D. 53, "
 Josephine A. Breitenberg..M. D. 50, appointed additional teacher, April 10.
 20th. Mary T. Guernsey.....P. S. 27, " " " " 1.
 Harriet M. Dean.....F. D. 48, resigned March 31.

WARD.

1885.

- 20th. Maude M. Goodale.....F. D. 48, appointed April 6.
 21st. Anna C. Ladd.....M. D. 45, deceased March 2.
 Carrie J. Wood.....M. D. 14, appointed " 5.
 Amanda M. Root.....F. D. 14, deceased April 22.
 Gussie Striem.....F. D. 14, transfer from P. D. 49, April 25
 Carrie J. Wood.....P. D. 49, " " M. D. 14, "
 Laura A. Cregan.....M. D. 14, " " P. D. 14, "
 Isabel McMulkin.... .P. D. 14, appointed April 25.
 22d. Henry W. Jameson.....M. D. 58, appointed March 30.
 John J. McNulty.....M. D. 58, resigned March 18.
 23d. Annie L. Trainor.....P. S. 33, appointed additional teacher, April 1.
 Ernestine E. Denicke.....P. D. 61, " " " " 8.
 Mary McCormick.....P. S. 33, " " " May 1.
 Annie L. Trainor.....P. S. 33, resigned April 27.
 24th. Annie M. Callan.....P. D. 63, appointed March 2.
 Lulu A. Kirkham.....P. D. 63, " " 2.
 Annie L. Trainor.....G. D. 65, appointed additional teacher, April 27.

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the report of the Superintendent of School Buildings, on the condition of the several school buildings, as follows :

BOARD OF EDUCATION,
 OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS, }
 NEW YORK, *June 3, 1885.*

To the Honorable the Board of Education :

GENTLEMEN—The undersigned respectfully presents the following in regard to the "safety, general condition," etc., of the school buildings under your control.

"With very slight variations the report of almost any former year might be used in describing the present general condition of the buildings ; considered collectively, about the same number require special repairs, about the same number require painting, and about the same number—in the opinion of certain parties—ought to be taken down and others erected in their places ; and the number of new buildings required in new loca-

tions seems to be on the increase, and continues to keep in advance of the appropriations for such purposes."

The above extract from a previous report so exactly describes the present "condition of things," that to improve it will not be attempted.

Since the date of the last report, Grammar School buildings Nos. 76 and 77, in the Nineteenth Ward ; No. 78 in the Twelfth Ward, and an addition to G. S. No. 33, in the Twentieth Ward, have been completed, furnishing in the aggregate accommodations for 6,500 pupils.

There is at present in course of erection a new building in the Nineteenth Ward for Grammar School No. 82 ; G. S. No. 43 in the Twelfth Ward is being enlarged ; a new building for G. S. No. 83, is in course of erection in the Twelfth Ward ; an extensive addition is in progress for G. S. No. 61, in the Twenty-third Ward ; an addition is being built to G. S. No. 32, in the Twentieth Ward ; Primary School building No. 7, in the Ninth Ward, has been taken down, and a large four-story building is in course of erection for this school ; the building of P. S. No. 9, in the Seventeenth Ward, is being enlarged and altered, and when completed will be occupied by and known as G. S. No. 79.

These buildings will, in the aggregate, contain about 7,500 additional sittings.

These may *possibly* be ready for occupation by the first of January, 1886 ; if so, it will make 14,000 sittings for pupils, furnished in less than eighteen months, from September, 1884, to January, 1886.

Applications from the Board of Trustees for authority to "Repair," "Paint," etc., the school buildings under their charge have been received with more than usual promptness ; and in detail showing that great care has been taken in making out the lists.

The smallest amount asked for was from the Third Ward, having only one building, \$110 ; the greatest amount, \$13,720, from the Twelfth Ward, having eleven buildings ; in the aggregate, from all Wards, \$97,000, for about 120 buildings.

The Committee on Buildings having carefully examined and considered the lists of "wants," are expected to report in favor of authorizing the Trustees of the several Wards in which the following schools are located, to advertise for proposals for altering, repairing and painting, viz. : Grammar Schools Nos. 1, 3, 5, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 19, 20, 21, 23, 25, 26, 34, 35, 36, 37, 39, 40, 41, 42, 44, 45, 47, 50, 53, 54, 56, 58, 59, 60, 71 and 74, and Primary Schools Nos. 1, 5, 20, 26, 28, 29, 40 and 44. The estimate cost being about \$40,000. In addition to the foregoing, \$7,000 will be used in sums not exceeding \$200 for repairs, etc.

A few words in regard to school furniture, the cost of furnishing new, and repairing such as is not new, no insignificant item of school expenses, it is thought may properly be inserted here.

The entire cost of new, and repairing furniture, as per applications from Trustees, not including furniture for new school houses, would aggregate about \$30,000.

The amount allowed by the Committee on School Furniture will aggregate about \$22,000 ; of this amount about \$5,000 will be appropriated in sums not exceeding \$200, and \$17,000 will be appropriated for work to be done by contract in the following schools : Grammar Schools Nos. 2, 3, 12, 18, 24, 31, 34, 35, 37, 39, 40, 41, 45, 47, 50, 53, 54, 56 and 68, and Primary Schools Nos. 20 and 36.

Requiring in all, for buildings, including alterations to G. S. No. 31, forty-three contracts ; and for furniture, twenty-one contracts ; in all sixty-four contracts ; aggregate estimated cost, \$67,000.

If the "work" as laid out, is successfully performed, it is believed that the school buildings, including furniture, will be in a more satisfactory condition than has been the case in many years.

Respectfully submitted,

D. I. STAGG,
Superintendent.

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

EVENING HIGH SCHOOL.

Commissioner TRAUD presented the annual report of the Principal of the Evening High School, for the term of 1884-1885, as follows :

EVENING HIGH SCHOOL, }
April 10, 1885. }

To the Honorable the Board of Education :

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to submit the following report for the nineteenth term of the Evening High School, ending at the date of this report.

The examination of candidates for admission was begun on Monday evening, September 22, 1884. Eighteen hundred and nineteen applicants were able to pass the required examination, and these were registered and classified during the two weeks allotted to this work.

Class instruction was begun on Monday evening, October 6, 1884, with an attendance of 1,756. The average attendance for the term, consisting of one hundred and twenty nights, exclusive of holidays, was 1,038. The average age of the students was nearly twenty years ; the youngest was fourteen and the oldest was fifty-nine years of age. There were sixty seven students who attended every evening.

The time of each evening, from 7 to 9 o'clock, is divided into two equal parts ; each instructor teaches two classes, one from 7 to 8 o'clock, and another from 8 to 9 o'clock, thus enabling students to pursue two subjects of study without having them conflict with each other. The students are permitted to choose their instructors, and to select the study or studies they desire ; they are required to be present only when their classes are in session, it being optional with them whether they pursue one study or two ; a very large majority attend both hours. After a student has made a selection of study or studies, he cannot change the same without the permission of the Principal. Each member is furnished with a card of admission, a programme of study, and a printed copy of the rules and regulations of the school.

ts who have made satisfactory improvement in their
 nd who have not been absent more than fifteen even-
 entitled to *certificates*, and those who have received
 ial certificates are entitled to *diplomas*. Four hundred
 y certificates and fifty-seven diplomas were awarded
 d of the term.

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 uctors, and the average age of the students, in each
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STUDIES.	Average Attendance.	Number of Instructors.	Average age of Students.
hour per evening).....	15	1	19
and Declamation (3 ev's per week)..	41	1	22
Grammar and Composition	121	1	21
.....	137	2	20
.. .. .	91	2	21
.....	52	1	19
ural and Mechanical Drawing	88	1	20
d Drawing.....	113	1	18
hip	96	1	18
phy	106	1	19
tics	38	1	21
ic	295	4	18
ping	349	5	18
y (1 hour per evening).....	23	1	20
and Physiology.....	23	1	21
nd Political Science (3 ev's per week)	28	1	21

llowing is a detailed statement of the work done in
 s. It does not differ materially from that of the last

Latin.

ss met one hour each evening in the week. Its course
 l the various declensions of nouns, pronouns and ad-
 the conjugation of regular verbs, both in the active

and passive voices ; the comparison of adjectives and adverbs ; and the rules of Latin grammar. Translations from Latin into English and from English into Latin were made every evening, the Latin sentence in every case being written on the black-board. English derivatives from the Latin words used in each lesson were mentioned, and their derivation explained. The history, the mythology, and the customs of the Latins received careful attention.

English Grammar and Composition.

The principles of English grammar were taught in detail, and were practically applied by the students in the construction and in the analysis of sentences, and in the correction of errors of speech. Compositions were written by the students, read before the class, and criticised by the instructor and by members of the class.

Drawing.

The instruction in the Architectural and Mechanical Drawing Class embraced the problems in descriptive geometry, the projections of solids, the development of surfaces, the principles of linear perspective, the orders of architecture, copying, designing, enlarging and tinting of plans and elevations of buildings and machinery.

The Free-hand Drawing Class was divided into four sections, which were taught as follows :

FIRST SECTION.—Outline drawing in pencil, conventional forms, geometric planes, elements of historic ornament.

SECOND SECTION.—Outline drawing in pencil, advanced conventional forms, historic ornament, human features, head and figure, with practice in shades and shadows.

THIRD SECTION.—Crayon drawing, more advanced historic ornament, flowers, animals, human head and figure, with shades and shadows.

FOURTH SECTION.—Crayon and charcoal drawing, geometric solids, antique ornament, head and figure.

From this section six students were prepared to enter the National Academy of Design. Some very good drawings were made from *life*, near the end of the term.

Reading and Declamation.

Much attention was paid in the Reading Class to the proper pronunciation of English, to correct expression and to an easy and natural style of reading. Monroe's Sixth Reader was read through twice.

In the Declamation Class selections were committed to memory, and upon these the students were drilled, for the purpose of developing distinct enunciation, correct pronunciation, natural and forcible delivery, and graceful and appropriate gestures.

Chemistry.

The students were instructed in the nature, origin and use of the most important elements; in the symbols and atomicities of the same, and in the construction of chemical formulæ. They were taught the use of the blow-pipe, and therewith, and by the use of re-agents, to detect the bases and acids of salts. In the chemistry of the carbon compounds, they were instructed in the theory of forming homologous and isologous series, and the principal types upon which they are built.

Particular attention was given to the chemistry of sugars, alcohols, soaps and the vegetable acids and alkaloids.

History and Political Science.

Lectures were delivered on the following subjects: The English Constitution, The Constitution of the United States, The Political Development of the United States, Elementary Economics, Free Trade, Strikes, and the English Land Question. Debates were held on the following subjects: Silver Question, National Bank System, Taxation of Personal Property, The Tariff, Prison Labor, Trades Unions, The Spanish Treaty, and the Blair Education Bill.

Phonography.

The work done was as follows :

Beginners' Class.—Elementary principles of phonography, taught from Graham's Handbook, embodying all the contractions and expedients, through the word-signs of the corresponding style ; translations from long-hand to short-hand and from short-hand to long-hand, with nearly all the selections from Graham's First Phonographic Reader.

Advanced Class.—Review of the word-signs of the corresponding style, with their uses in phrase writing ; continuation of word-signs for the reporting style ; Graham's Second Reader completed ; writing from dictation.

Penmanship, Arithmetic and Bookkeeping.

The classes in penmanship were carefully drilled in the Payson and Dunton systems ; rapidity, with superior quality of handwriting, was acquired by most of the students.

The classes in arithmetic completed the subject.

In bookkeeping the classes finished single and double entry.

Mathematics.

Algebra.—Through quadratics.

Geometry.—Through Hunter's plane geometry and review, including problems in mensuration.

Trigonometry.—Through Davies' Plane Trigonometry, working all the problems.

Anatomy and Physiology.

The anatomy of the body, both gross and microscopic, was taught by lectures and demonstrations. The physiology of the organs was then discussed and partly illustrated. Lectures were given on hygiene, and on the aid that should be given to the injured, pending the arrival of a physician.

German.

The First Class completed forty-four lessons of Comfort's First Book, and was taught the German pronunciation and the

German script; the declensions of the article, the noun, the adjective and the pronoun; the conjugation of verbs, both weak and strong, and including the auxiliary verbs of mood; the use of the prepositions and the arrangement of words in sentences, with the rules relating thereto. The German exercises were translated into English and the English exercises into German; most of the latter were also translated in writing. The first twenty-five pages of Ahn's First German Reader were read.

The Second Class completed thirty-two lessons in Woodbury's Complete Course, going more minutely into the grammatical peculiarities and the idioms of the language. The German exercises were translated orally into English, and both oral and written translations of the English exercises were made into German. Twenty-three pages of the "Reading Lessons" in Woodbury's Course were read by the students.

The Third Class reviewed the work done in the other classes, and devoted considerable time to conversation, reading and writing. Seventy-five pages of Grauert's German Reader were read and translated, with constant reference to the grammatical construction of the sentences.

French.

The First Class completed Duffet's French Grammar, Part I, except a few lists of adverbs, prepositions and conjunctions intended mostly for reference. Both auxiliaries and the four conjugations in the different forms were memorized, and the principal irregular verbs met with in the grammar conjugated. In addition to the colloquial exercises in Duffet's Grammar, French conversations on practical subjects were had. Selections from Fivaz's Elementary French Reader were read and translated, supplemented by explanations and applications of elementary rules of grammar.

The Second Class reviewed the work of the First Class, completed the irregular verbs, and completed Duffet's Grammar, Part II.

All exercises in this class were conducted in French.

Spanish.

FIRST SECTION.—Through twenty-four lessons of De Tornos' Method; conjugation of the regular verbs.

SECOND SECTION.—Through thirty-four lessons of De Tornos' Method; conjugation of regular and irregular verbs; formation of sentences; translation of Iriarte's Fables.

THIRD SECTION.—Through sixty lessons of De Tornos' Method; conversation; composition; reading and translation of Iriarte's Fables.

Prizes and Prizemen.

Tiffany & Co. Prize (gold medal) for *greatest improvement in drawing from antique cast*, was awarded to

LOUIS FUELLING, JR.

Honorable mention is made of

JAMES J. COLWELL,
GEORGE TRAUT, JR.

Mitchell, Vance & Co. Prize (bronzes) for *greatest improvement in drawing heads and figures*, was awarded to

A. N. SPANIER.

Honorable mention is made of

R. M. MOUAT.
E. BROSNAN.

Faber Prize (drawing instruments) for *greatest improvement in drawing ornament*, was awarded to

CHARLES F. KURZ.

Honorable mention is made of

JULIUS EICHENAUER,
WILLIAM SUTHERLAND,

First Prize (gold medal by class instructor) for *best architectural drawing*, was awarded to

W. A. WEBER.

Second Prize (box of drawing instruments presented by Knoedler & Co.) was awarded to

A. H. LORENZ.

Honorable mention is made of

E. F. VAN BRUNT,
H. FROEHLICH,
J. O. CUMMINGS.

First Prize (gold medal by class instructor) for *best mechanical drawing*, was awarded to

CHRISTIAN H. LOOS.

Second Prize (box of colors presented by Knoedler & Co.), was awarded to

A. F. SCHNEIDER.

Honorable mention is made of

G. LOOS,
H. BECKLUFT,
H. L. DES ANGES.

Instructor's First Prize (Quain's Dictionary) for *best examination in anatomy and physiology*, was awarded to

H. F. MOONEY.

Instructor's Second Prize (Foster's Physiology) for *proficiency in physiology*, was awarded to

J. J. MCCROHAN.

Instructor's Third Prize (Newell-Martin's, "The Human Body"), for *proficiency in anatomy*, was awarded to

J. H. WADE.

I take great pleasure in reporting that the instructors have performed their important work faithfully and well, and that the students have been regular in attendance, gentlemanly in conduct and attentive in study.

My thanks are due, and are most cheerfully tendered, to the

Evening School Committee for many acts of official and personal kindness.

Respectfully submitted,

JARED S. BABCOCK,
Principal.

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

From Richard J. Morrison, Secretary to the Mayor, notifying the Board of the appointment of Stephen Therry, as Inspector, as follows :

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, *May 29, 1885.* }

LAWRENCE D. KIERNAN, Esq.,

Clerk of the Board of Education :

DEAR SIR—Mayor GRACE directs me to notify you that he has this day appointed STEPHEN THERRY, an Inspector of Common Schools in the Fourth School District in place of Henry Allen, resigned.

Yours respectfully,

RICHARD J. MORRISON,
Secretary.

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes.

From F. G. de Fontaine, relative to his system of "Condensed Long Hand Writing."

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From James Curran, a bill for extra work on contract for heating apparatus placed in addition to G. S. No. 33.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

From G. W. Heyden, making complaint against the janitor of G. S. No. 72.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From Thomas Falvey, asking that his bill for removing books &c., from G. S. No. 39, to G. S. No. 78, be paid in full.

Referred to the Auditing Committee.

REPORTS LAID OVER UNDER THE RULE.

The PRESIDENT announced for consideration the report of the Committee on Teachers, recommending the removal of Miss Rachel S. Gorlitz, P. D. G. S. No. 25, for insubordination, Journal, pp. 297-299, pp. 329-331.

Commissioner TAMSEN called for the reading of a communication from Miss Gorlitz, relative to the subject of said report, which was read by the Clerk.

Commissioner SELIGMAN offered the following as a substitute for the resolution attached to the report of the Committee :

In order to enforce proper discipline in the public school system, and, at the same time, to show as much clemency as possible—

Resolved, That the time intervening between this day and the 9th day of June, 1885, be granted Miss Rachel S. Gorlitz to signify in writing her willingness to obey the instructions of City Superintendent Jasper, by being re-examined.

Resolved, That unless she shall so signify her willingness before the 9th day of June, 1885, her position as a public school teacher shall be vacant on said day, thus carrying into effect the recommendation made by the Committee on Teachers, at a stated meeting of this Board, held May 6th, 1885.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would substitute said resolution for the resolution attached to the

report of the Committee, and it was decided in the negative.

Commissioner CRARY offered the following as a substitute for the resolution attached to the report of the Committee :

Resolved, That Miss Rachel S. Gorlitz, Fifteenth Assistant in Primary Department No. 25, be, and she is hereby fined fifteen days' pay for refusing to appear before the City Superintendent, and submitting to re-examination in respect to her qualifications as a teacher. And further, that she be, and she is hereby required to appear before the City Superintendent at such time as he may designate, and submit to such re-examination; and, in default thereof, that she show cause by written communication to this Board, at its next subsequent meeting, why she should not be removed from her position as teacher.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would substitute said resolution for the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the negative.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—17.

Nays—Commissioners Crary and Welch—2.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Finance Committee on the ability of the Board to pay \$6.87 for G. S. No. 47, and \$18.54 for G. S. No. 25 (1884), Journal, pp. 316, 320, p. 333.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, found on pages 230, 231, and on page 233 of the Journal, respectively, in connection

th this report of the Finance Committee, and it was decided the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—

Nay—The PRESIDENT—1.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Finance Committee on the ability to pay Thomas Cockerill a bill for extra work on the addition to G. S. No. 33, Twentieth Ward, \$8,286,-, from the funds of 1884, Journal, p. 320, p. 333.

Commissioner WOOD offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the report of the Committee on Buildings, page 203 of the Journal, be re-committed to that Committee, in order that it may furnish this Board with the items, for the cost of which the extraordinary sum of \$8,286.72 for “extra work” is demanded, and especially for the cost of building the ornamental wall on Twenty-eighth street, and also what would have been the cost of a plain brick wall in place thereof.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would opt the resolution offered by Commissioner WOOD, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—19.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, to be discharged from further consideration of the appeal of Mr. G. B. Hendrickson from the action of the City Superintendent, Journal, p. 334.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, excusing the absence of teachers, with full pay, Journal, pp. 334, 335, 336.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch and Wood—18.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Evening Schools, recommending Jacob T. Boyle for Principal of the Evening High School, Journal, pp. 336, 337.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch and Wood—18.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Supplies, denying the applications of several Companies for the addition of their respective Hand Grenade Fire Extinguishers to the list of supplies, Journal, pp. 340, 341.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Buildings, denying the application of Janitors for an increase of salary, Journal, p. 342.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Finance Committee, on the financial ability of the Board to appropriate \$16,000 for a plot of ground on West Fortieth street, adjoining G. S. No. 28, Journal, p. 345.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Sites and New Schools, Journal, pp. 337, 338, in connection

th this report of the Finance Committee, and it was decided the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Shwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch and Wood 18.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Finance Committee, on the financial ability of the Board to pay a bill of Baker, Pratt & Co., for \$50, for furniture placed in G. S. building No. 60, in 1884, Journal, pp. 345, 346.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on School Furniture, Journal, p. 304, in connection with this report of the Finance Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Shwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch and Wood 18.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Finance Committee, approving for payment the bill for rent of premises Nos. 15 and 17 East Third street, amounting to \$750, for six months, Journal, p. 346.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Finance Committee, Journal, page 346, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Shwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace and Welch—17.

Nay—Commissioner Wood—1.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner CRAWFORD presented a report from the Com-

mittee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, to pay the Janitor of Branch of P. D. No. 78, one-thirteenth of his annual salary, for care of the premises, &c.; asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject, and that the matter be referred to the Committee on Buildings, for the reason that the Building Committee has under consideration an application to pay this Janitor for services in the care of the premises, and also to pay the new Janitor for cleaning the same.

Resolved, That the Committee on By-Laws, &c., be discharged from the further consideration of the application of the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, to pay the Janitor of Branch of P. D. No. 78 one-thirteenth of his annual salary for services rendered in 1884, and that said communication be referred to the Committee on Buildings.

GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, &c.</i>
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		

Commissioner CRAWFORD asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report;

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented a report from the Auditing Committee, relative to the introduction of the electric light into the Evening High School Building (Journal of 1884, pp. 889-893, and 924), where the form of the contract may be found.

The Committee being about to execute the contract, it became necessary to determine the best location for the boilers, and, at the request of the Committee, Superintendent Stagg, together with the Superintendent of the Electric Light Company, examined the school building, when it was ascertained that it would be necessary to remove a portion of the water-closets to make room for the boilers. The Superintendent of

Buildings showed that this was impracticable, whereupon the Company suggested that high pressure boilers be placed in the building, and the low pressure ones be removed, and thereby a saving in the expense of heating the building might be made.

It was then suggested to excavate the sidewalk, and construct a vault for the coal bins, leaving the space in the cellar at present occupied by the coal bins for the boilers and motor of the electric light.

These obstacles occasioned a postponement of the work until the summer vacation. The estimated cost of excavating the sidewalk for the purpose contemplated is about one thousand dollars, and the Committee recommend that the application of the Trustees for that amount, when made, be granted, in order that the work may be completed during the summer vacation, and that the electric light may be introduced and ready for use in the fall.

The Committee has nothing to add to what has already been said in its various reports on the subject of the electric light. It is informed that the Edison Company is still willing to agree to the contract as submitted by the Committee, which contains even more favorable terms than the one originally proposed and printed in pages 889-893 of the Journal of 1884. A copy of the new proposed contract is attached to the report.

HENRY SCHMITT,	}	<i>Auditing Committee.</i>
ISAAC BELL,		
H. B. PERKINS,		
DEWITT J. SELIGMAN, W. B. WALLACE,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented a report from the Auditing Committee, stating, that they have examined the accompanying bills, and believing the items thereof to be correct and the charges reasonable, recommend their payment by the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the following named bills be, and they hereby are approved for payment :

Account of 1884.

Knickerbocker Ice Co., Ice, Hall of Board of Education, Dec. 1 to 31, 1884.....	\$4 20
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Account of 1885.

Knickerbocker Ice Co., Ice, Hall of Board, Jan. 1 to April 30, 1885.....	17 44
John Borkel, Furnishing and setting ventilating apparatus in Clerk's Office, Hall of Board, Feb'y 10, 1885.....	12 00
Charles S. Sherman, Plumbing at workshop, Feb. 19, 1885.....	5 75
C. S. Sherman, Repairing Water-closet in second floor, Hall of Bd., furnishing Chimneys for gas burners and repairing gas torch, March 16, 17, 18, '85.....	19 64
The <i>Evening Post</i> Job Printing Office, Printing Minutes of April 1, 15, and May 6, '85, miscellaneous blanks, &c., April 3 to 30, '85.....	\$231 50
The <i>Evening Post</i> Job Printing office, printing miscellaneous blanks, April 15 to 28, '85.....	33 70
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W. A. Schroeter, Cleaning and repairing Clock, City Superintendent's office, May 2.....	4 75
Hussey's Special Message Express, Delivering 293 Annual Reports of Board of Education, May 6, 9, 11 and 26th.....	11 72
Lawrence D. Kiernan, Postage, &c., April 29 to May 28.....	119 01
Robidoux & Son, Portable Coal Scale, bridges and sharpening scale, June 1.....	118 00
J. S. Babcock, Wood Receipt Book, May 29.....	11 25

HENRY SCHMITT,	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
ISAAC BELL,	
DE WITT J. SELIGMAN,	
W. B. WALLACE,	
H. B. PERKINS,	

Commissioner SCHMITT asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace and Wood—17.

Commissioner WOOD presented a report from the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, to whom was referred the communication from the Turner Bund, with reference to introducing regular physical exercises in the public schools ; stating, that a Committee of the Turner Bund were accorded a hearing before your Committee. From the statements made by these gentlemen, your Committee were favorably impressed with the proposed plan for the physical development of the pupils in our public schools.

This plan has been tested in a number of institutions of learning, other than the public schools, and from statements made to your Committee, it has proved beneficial to the pupils.

The Committee are of opinion that the proposed plan is worthy of being tested, and as an experiment, they recommend that three schools be selected and designated by the City Superintendent, and that they be fitted up with the necessary apparatus enumerated by the Turner Bund, at a cost not exceeding \$194 for each school, or as much of this amount as may be necessary, and that an instructor be employed at a salary of not more than \$50 per month, to take charge of these schools for one year, under the direction of the City Superintendent, as to time, &c., &c., and that statistics be kept by the City Superintendent with reference thereto, and a report be made of the result, at the end of the term. This will make the expense about \$1,100.

The following resolutions are submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the City Superintendent select and designate three schools in which to introduce the subject of physical exercise, and that the Committee on Course of Study and

School Books be authorized to furnish to said schools so selected, the necessary apparatus as recommended by the Turner Bund, at a cost not to exceed \$194 for each school, or as much of this amount as may be necessary ; also, that the Committee on Course of Study and School Books be authorized to employ an instructor at a salary not to exceed \$50 per month, to take charge of this special branch of instruction, for one year, under the direction of the City Superintendent as to time, &c., &c., and that statistics be kept by said City Superintendent, with reference thereto, and a report to be made of the result of the same at the end of that term.

Resolved, That for the purpose of carrying out the foregoing resolution, the sum of eleven hundred dollars (\$1,100) be and hereby is appropriated to be expended under the direction of the Committee on Course of Study and School Books ; the bills to be paid on the approval of said Committee.

WILLIAM WOOD, EDWARD J. H. TAMSEN, CHARLES CRARY, GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	}	<i>Committee on Course of Study, &c.</i>
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Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner WELCH presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward for authority to advertise for proposals for furniture for the addition to Grammar School No. 32 ; stating, that the addition to G. S. No. 32 is a new building in course of erection, and it is necessary that the authority asked for should be granted at this time, in order to provide for the occupancy of the premises in the fall of the year.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the School Trustees of the Twentieth Ward be and they hereby are authorized to advertise in the *City Record* for two weeks, for proposals for furniture for the new addition to Grammar School No. 32. Plans and

specifications to be prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the Committee on School Furniture and Trustees named.

W. J. WELCH,
EDWARD J. H. TAMSEN,
CHAS. L. HOLT,
H. B. PERKINS,

} Committee
on
School Furniture.

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner WELCH presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, to whom were referred applications from the Trustees of the several Wards, for new furniture and repairs to furniture in the schools under their control ; stating that the new furniture and repairs of furniture applied for by the Trustees, will cost about \$30,000.

From a careful examination the Committee have concluded that the new furniture and repairs of furniture actually required will cost about \$22,000. Of this amount it will require advertisements for proposals for about \$17,000, and an appropriation of \$5,000, to be expended under the direction of the Committee in sums not exceeding \$200.

The following resolutions are submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the School Trustees of the Wards named herein be, and hereby are authorized to advertise in the *City Record* for two weeks, for proposals for new furniture, and repairs to furniture, as follows :

6th Ward.—G. S. No. 24.

7th Ward.— “ Nos. 2, 12, 31 and P. S. 36.

9th Ward.— “ Nos. 3 and 41.

12th Ward.— “ Nos. 37, 39, 54 and 68.

13th Ward.— “ Nos. 34 and P. S. No. 20.

15th Ward.— “ Nos. 35 and 47.

16th Ward.— “ No. 56.

18th Ward.— “ Nos. 40 and 50.

19th Ward.— “ Nos. 18 and 53.

Plans and specifications to be prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the Com-

mittee on School Furniture and Trustees of the Wards named herein.

Resolved, That the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) be, and the same hereby is appropriated for the purchase of new furniture and repairs of furniture, to be expended under the direction of the Committee on School Furniture, in sums not exceeding \$200, upon application for the same being made by the Trustees of the several Wards. The bills for the same to be paid on the approval of the Trustees of the several Wards, the Superintendent of School Buildings, and the Committee on School Furniture.

W. J. WELCH,	}	<i>Committee on School Furniture.</i>
CHAS. L. HOLT,		
EDWARD J. H. TAMSEN,		
H. B. PERKINS,		

Commissioner WELCH asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the first resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The second resolution was referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner TRAUD presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, to whom were referred applications from the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward:

1. For permission to admit pupils over eighteen years of age to Mixed Junior Evening School No. 62.

2. For permission to organize a class in Evening School No. 62, for instruction in Mechanical and Industrial Drawing;

Stating, that in respect to the first application above named, this is the only Evening School above Harlem Bridge, being located at One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street and Third avenue, and many females who are desirous of so doing, are unable to attend Evening School No. 62, for the reason that under the By-Laws, they are prohibited by limitation as to age,

from attending Schools of this kind, No. 62 being a Junior School. The nearest Female School for Seniors is in East Fifty-seventh street, near Third avenue, five miles distant from No. 62.

The Committee are of opinion that this application should be granted.

With respect to the second application the Committee would state, that the distance to the Evening High School in West Thirteenth street, the only Evening School in which Drawing is taught, is too great for the pupils living above Harlem Bridge to attend. The Committee are, therefore, in favor of allowing Mechanical and Industrial Drawing to be taught three nights per week in this School. But, if the attendance for two weeks should fall below fifteen, the class to be discontinued.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That pupils over eighteen years of age be admitted to the Mixed Junior Evening School held in Grammar School No. 62, in the Twenty-third Ward ; also, that the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward be authorized to organize a class in said Evening School for instruction in Mechanical and Industrial Drawing, for three nights per week ; but, if said class shall fall below fifteen in attendance for two weeks, the class shall be discontinued ; and that all by-laws or parts of by-laws, inconsistent herewith, be suspended for the purposes of this resolution.

FERDINAND TRAUD,
CHARLES CRARY,
R. M. GALLAWAY,
HENRY SCHMITT,
W. J. WELCH,

} Committee
on
Evening Schools.

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner TRAUD presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, for authority to organize an Evening School for Females in Grammar School building No. 4 ; stating, that it is claimed by the Trustees of the Thir

teenth Ward that there is an apparent necessity for an Evening School for Females in that Ward. A large number of females in the Ward are desirous of attending an Evening School, but are prevented from attending the school in the Eleventh Ward, in Fifth street, owing to the objectionable neighborhood through which they are required to pass in going to and coming from said school.

The Trustees feel satisfied that a sufficient number of pupils will attend a school in the Thirteenth Ward, to warrant the establishment of a Junior Evening School.

The Committee, in view of these facts, recommend that a school for Juniors be organized in G. S. No. 4, provided an attendance of one hundred and fifty pupils be obtained.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That a Female Evening School for Juniors be organized in Grammar School No. 4, in the Thirteenth Ward, and that sec. 101 of the by-laws be amended on p. 188, by adding to the list of Female Evening Schools for Juniors :
 “Grammar School No. 4. 13th Ward.”

FERDINAND TRAUD, CHARLES CRARY, R. M. GALLAWAY, HENRY SCHMITT, W. J. WELCH,	}	<i>Committee on Evening Schools.</i>
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Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented a report from the Auditing Committee, stating, that in April last the Committee reported for approval a bill of the *Evening Post* Job Printing Office for printing two thousand five hundred copies of the School Directory for 1885, amounting to \$507.63 (Journal, p. 237).

The voucher therefor was approved upon the usual certificate attached thereto. While the voucher was in the possession of the Comptroller it was discovered that the Directory was incorrectly printed. It was also discovered that the Manual and Annual Report were not printed correctly. Upon this information the Committee requested the withdrawal of the voucher

from the Comptroller, and examined into the cause of the errors. The errors in the Annual Report and Manual were to some extent corrected.

Nearly two thousand copies of the Directory having been distributed, and the time being so far advanced, the Committee had concluded not to have it reprinted at the present time. The printer has agreed to take one hundred dollars less than the amount of his bill. Under the circumstances the Committee is of opinion that it would be but just to pay the bill, less the sum of one hundred and eight dollars (\$108), making the amount \$399.63.

The Committee recommend the following resolutions for adoption:

Resolved, That so much of the resolution, page 237 of the Minutes, directing the payment of the bill of the *Evening Post Job Printing Office* for printing 2,500 copies of the Directory, amounting to \$507.63, be reconsidered and rescinded.

Resolved, That the *Evening Post Job Printing Office* be paid the sum of three hundred and ninety-nine $\frac{63}{100}$ dollars (\$399.63) for printing 2,500 copies of the Directory of the Board for 1885, provided said Job Printing Office accept said amount as payment in full under the terms of the contract for doing said work.

HENRY SCHMITT,	}	<i>Auditing Committee.</i>
H. B. PERKINS,		
DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,		
ISAAC BELL,		
W. B. WALLACE.		

Commissioner SCHMITT asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolutions attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace and Wood—16.

Commissioner CRAWFORD presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the application of the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward to pay Mrs. Emma Lee for services in the care, &c., of Primary Department Grammar School No. 83 ; stating, that on January 1st the branch of P. D. G. S. No. 72 was organized as the Primary Department of No. 83, to remain on the premises until the opening of the new school in East One Hundred and Tenth street, to which it is to be transferred.

The Janitrix of Branch P. D. No. 72 was continued under the new arrangement, in P. D. G. S. No. 83, and the Committee recommend that she be paid for her services from January 1st up to date, and that she be continued at the same rate of compensation as heretofore paid, up to the opening of the new school in East One Hundred and Tenth street.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That Mrs. Emma Lee be paid for services rendered in Primary Department No. 83, from January 1, 1885, up to date, and that the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward be and hereby are authorized to continue such services, up to the opening of the new school in East One Hundred and Tenth street (G. S. No. 83). Her salary to be the same as heretofore paid in branch of Grammar School No. 72.

GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	} Committee on By-Laws, &c.
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	
WILLIAM WOOD,	
FERDINAND TRAUD,	

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner CRAWFORD presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, asking for payment of the bill of McKenney & Scrafford, for work done on G. S. No. 45, in 1882, amounting to \$59.37, from the unexpended balance of incidentals, to the credit of G. S. No. 11, in that year ; stating, that the necessity for the work represented by this bill is apparent, but the incidental

fund of G. S. No. 45 for the year in which the work was done is exhausted. There is, however, sufficient money to the credit of G. S. No. 11 to permit of the payment of the bill.

The Committee recommend that the application be granted, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the bill of McKenney & Scrafford for work done on Grammar School No. 45, in 1882, amounting to fifty-nine $\frac{37}{100}$ dollars (\$59.37) be, and the same is hereby ordered to be paid from the incidental expense account of Grammar School No. 11 in 1882, on the approval of the Superintendent of School Buildings, and that all by-laws or parts of by-laws inconsistent herewith be suspended for the purposes of this resolution.

GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	} Committee on By-Laws, &c.
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	
WILLIAM WOOD,	
FERDINAND TRAUD,	

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner BELL presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Normal College, relative to the alteration of the iron railing, granite coping, flagging, &c., around the Normal College buildings, proposals for which were obtained, under the authority of the Board, and submitted by said Committee, the 30th December, 1884, p. 1016 of the Journal; stating, that the contract was at that time awarded to John T. McDonald, for the sum of seventy-nine hundred dollars (\$7,900), and the ability to appropriate this sum stated by the Committee, but the required appropriation was not authorized. The Board, however, adopted a resolution (Journal, pp. 1020, 1021, of 1884) setting apart and appropriating the balance of the special fund for that year, for sundry purposes, "in such specific sums as *may be hereafter* determined," and among them is named "for altering, &c., iron railing, granite coping, and flagging around the Norman College buildings." The Committee, therefore, renew their statement as to the financial ability of the Board to appropriate the sum of \$7,900 from the

special fund, apportioned in 1884, for, among other purposes, "additions, enlargements and improvements of present school buildings," and submit herewith a resolution authorizing an appropriation of that sum, and confirming the award of the contract to the lowest bidder for the work, John T. McDonald.

Resolved, That the sum of seven thousand nine hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated from the special fund of 1884, apportioned "for purchasing and procuring sites for and erecting new buildings * * * and for additions, enlargements and improvements of present school buildings," for altering the iron railing, granite coping, flagging, etc., around the Normal College buildings. But no part of said money to be paid until the Committee on Normal College shall have duly filed the contract to be entered into by them with John T. McDonald, together with satisfactory security for the faithful performance of the same.

ISAAC BELL,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
EUGENE KELLY,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,		

Commissioner WOOD asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT ruled that the report of the Finance Committee was out of order.

Commissioner WOOD thereupon moved that the vote taken on the subject in 1884 (Journal, p. 1024) be reconsidered.

Objection having been made, the President decided the motion out of order.

Commissioner TAMSEN presented a report from the Committee on Nomination of Trustees, to whom were referred the resignations of Messrs. John C. Limbeck, as Trustee for the Eleventh Ward, and Charles Crary, as Trustee for the Twelfth Ward, occasioned by the removal from the Ward of Mr. Limbeck, and the appointment of Mr. Crary to membership in this

Board ; recommending for these vacancies the persons named in the resolution herewith submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That Louis S. Goebel, residence No. 235 Seventh street, be, and he is hereby appointed a Trustee of Common Schools for the Eleventh Ward, *vice* Limbeck, removed from the Ward, to hold office until the first day of January, eighteen hundred and eighty-six (1886); and that Robert E. Steel, residence No. 120 East Ninety-second street, be, and he hereby is appointed a Trustee of Common Schools for the Twelfth Ward, *vice* Crary, appointed Commissioner of Common Schools, to hold office until the first day of January, eighteen hundred and ninety (1890); said appointments being made by and in pursuance of the authority conferred upon this Board by sec. 1025 of the New York City Consolidation Act.

The Committee state that Mr. Goebel is an attorney-at-law, and Mr. Steel is Superintendent of the American Bank Note Company.

EDWARD J. H. TAMSEN,	}	<i>Committee on Nomination of Trustees.</i>
ISAAC BELL,		
H. B. PERKINS,		
DAVID WETMORE,		
F. W. DEVOE,		
W. B. WALLACE,		
for presentation,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
for presentation,		
EUGENE KELLY,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward to pay John Paton \$90 for the care of premises of Branch of G. S. No. 78, during September, October and November, 1884 ; stating,

That about the first of September last, this branch school, which was formerly known as P. S. No. 38, was organized as the branch of P. D. G. S. No. 78, and the new building not being

of sufficient capacity to accommodate all the pupils applying for admission, the branch building was used to accommodate the excess of pupils, and Mr. Paton, the janitor of G. S. No. 78, continued to act as janitor of both buildings until the appointment of a janitor of the branch building was made, December 1, 1884. The salary of the branch building, computed by the Superintendent of School Buildings, on measurement rate under the by-laws would be \$325 per year, or \$25 per one-thirteenth payments.

The Committee therefore recommend that Mr. Paton be paid the sum of \$75 for the services rendered, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved. That John Paton be paid the sum of seventy-five dollars (\$75), from the fund of 1884, for services as acting janitor of Branch of Grammar School No. 78, during September, October and November, 1884.

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
G. SCHWAB,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, for authority to underdrain the cellar of G. S. No. 55 ; stating, that the Engineer of the Board, to whom the matter was referred by your Committee, reports that the work is not needed.

The Committee therefore recommend that the application be denied.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption:

Resolved, That the application from the School Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward to drain the cellar of Grammar School Building No. 55 be, and the same is hereby denied.

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
G. SCHWAB,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom were referred applications from the School Trustees of the several Wards, asking for authority to make repairs, &c., to the several school buildings during the summer vacation ; stating, that from a careful inspection of a report made by the Superintendent of School Buildings, they find that the estimated cost of making all alterations, repairs, &c., as requested by the Trustees, would be about \$100,000. The Committee, in view of the financial condition of the Board, have selected these repairs to be done on forty-two school houses, as are the most urgent, and which are required for the protection of the school property, amounting in the aggregate to about \$47,000. Of this amount \$7,000 have been appropriated from the Buildings Contingent Fund, for repairs costing less than \$200.

It is recommended that for the work which the Committee has selected as the most urgent, the Trustees be authorized to advertise for proposals for doing the same, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the School Trustees of the several Wards named herein be, and they hereby are authorized to advertise in the *City Record* for two weeks, for proposals for making alterations, repairs, painting, &c., to the several school buildings, as follows :

- 4th Ward—G. S. No. 1.
- 5th Ward— “ No. 44.
- 6th Ward— “ No. 23.
- 9th Ward— “ Nos. 3, 16 and 41.
- 10th Ward— “ Nos. 20, 42, and P. S. No. 1.
- 11th Ward— “ Nos. 36, 71, and P. S. No. 5.
- 12th Ward— “ Nos. 37, 39 and 54.
- 13th Ward— “ No. 34, and P. S. Nos. 20 and 40.
- 14th Ward— “ Nos. 5 and 21.
- 15th Ward— “ Nos. 10, 35 and 47.
- 16th Ward— “ Nos. 11, 45 and 56.
- 17th Ward— “ Nos. 13, 19, 25, and P. S. No. 26.

18th Ward—G. S. Nos. 40, 50, and P. S. Nos. 28 and 29.

19th Ward— “ Nos. 53, 59 and 74.

20th Ward— “ No. 26.

21st Ward— “ No. 14.

22d Ward— “ No. 58.

23d Ward— “ No. 60, and P. S. No. 44.

Plans and specifications to be prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the Committee on Buildings and Trustees of the Wards named herein.

F. W. DEVOE,	} Committee on Buildings.
G. SCHWAB,	
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	
R. M. GALLAWAY,	

Commissioner DEVOE asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

Commissioner SCHMITT moved that the report be amended by authorizing the Trustees of the Eighth Ward to advertise for proposals for painting G. S. No. 38.

Which was lost.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom were referred applications from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, viz. :

1. To pay John Paton, formerly janitor of Branch of G. S. No. 78, one-thirteenth of his annual salary in 1884, for cleaning the premises.

2. To pay John McCusker \$24.25 for extra cleaning of the same premises in December.

The Committee state that Mr. Paton was acting janitor of the Branch to December 1st, at which time Mr. McCusker was appointed to the position.

Mr. Paton failed to thoroughly clean the building and premises, and the new janitor, Mr. McCusker, upon assuming the duties of the position, December 1st, was directed by the

Trustees to have the school thoroughly cleaned, which he did at an expense to him of \$24.25.

The Committee recommend that the application to pay Mr. Paton be denied, and that Mr. McCusker be paid the amount expended by him, and the following resolutions are submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the application of the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward to pay Mr. John Paton one-thirteenth of his annual salary in 1884, for cleaning the premises of Branch of G. S. No. 78, be and the same is hereby denied.

Resolved, That Mr. John McCusker be paid the sum of twenty-four $\frac{25}{100}$ dollars (\$24.25) from the funds of 1884, for money expended in December of that year, in cleaning the building and premises of Branch of G. S. No. 78.

F. W. DEVOE,	} Committee on Buildings.
G. SCHWAB,	
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	
R. M. GALLAWAY,	

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the application of Mrs. Emma T. Kilmer, to be paid for services as Acting Principal of Female Department No. 8; stating, that Mrs. Kilmer asks that she be paid the difference between the salary of First Assistant and that of Principal, during the time she was Acting Principal of the Department.

There is no by-law of the Board which provides for the position or salary of an Acting Principal, and consequently the Committee recommend that the application be denied.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the application of Mrs. Emma T. Kilmer, to be paid the salary of the Principal of Female Department No. 8, during the time she was Acting Principal of the Department, be and the same is hereby denied.

EUGENE H. POMEROY,	} Committee on Teachers.
EUGENE KELLY,	
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	
WILLIAM WOOD,	

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom were referred applications from the Trustees of the First, Second, Seventh and Seventeenth Wards, to excuse the absence of teachers, with full pay ; stating, that the cause of absence in each case reported herein is personal illness.

A statement is submitted, showing the record of each applicant for the past five years.

The Committee recommend that the absences be excused, with full pay, for the "Time allowed," in the following resolution, which is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the following named teachers be excused for absence, with full pay, for the time stated in the column "Time allowed" herein :

WARD.	School.	Name.	Time Allowed.	Years of Service.	Instruction.	Discipline.	No. Days Lost.	Exc. with full pay.
1st.	G. S. 29.	M. A. Veitch.....	{ 21 d. May. 18 d. June. }	8	{ Good...1 y. Ex..... Ex.....4 y..... }		14	24 d.
2d.	P. S. 34.	Cassie C. Burke.....	3 d. May....	7	Ex.....Ex.....		23	.....
7th.	M. D. 12.	A. M. Tuers.....	9 d. April....	23	{Good...2 y. Good.....Ex ....8 y. }		4	.....
17th.	F. D. 19.	Mary E. McAndrews..	{ May 12th to June 3d. }	10	{ Ex.....3 y..... Good...2 y. Ex....4 y. }		40	.....
	F. D. 25.	Hortense J. Backus..	{ May 5th to June 3d. }	8	{ Ex.....4 y. Ex....4 y. Gen'l Assistant....1 y. }		68	2 d.

EUGENE H. POMEROY, EUGENE KELLY, GILBERT H. CRAWFORD, WILLIAM WOOD,	}	Committee on Teachers.
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Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, in the case of Miss Kate A. FitzGibbon, P. S. No. 16, as follows :

To the Board of Education:

The Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication of the City Superintendent, recommending the removal of Miss Kate A. FitzGibbon, Vice-Principal of Primary School No. 16, for incompetency and insubordination, respectfully report ; that a copy of the above mentioned communication, together with a copy of a communication from the City

Superintendent to the Committee on Teachers, was forwarded to Miss FitzGibbon, and she was, at the same time, notified to appear before the Committee, on Tuesday, June 2, at four o'clock, P. M., to show cause why she should not be removed. At the appointed time she appeared before the Committee. She did not deny any of the statements made by the City Superintendent in his communication to the Committee.

In relation to the charge of insubordination, Miss FitzGibbon's defense consisted of a statement that she did not appear before the City Superintendent, because she did not think there was any just cause for her re-examination.

Miss FitzGibbon still persists in her refusal to appear for re-examination.

Appended will be found copies of communications made by the City Superintendent to the Board and to the Committee, and referred to in this report.

In view of the incompetency of Miss FitzGibbon, as shown by the results of the three last examinations of her class, and in view of her insubordination, as shown by her persistent refusal to appear before the City Superintendent for re-examination, your Committee submit for your adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That on the recommendation of the City Superintendent, Miss Kate A. FitzGibbon, Vice-Principal of Primary School No. 16, be, and she is hereby removed for insubordination and incompetency.

EUGENE H. POMEROY,	} Committee on Teachers.
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	
EUGENE KELLY,	
WILLIAM WOOD,	

CITY SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, }
May 26th, 1885.

To the Committee on Teachers :

GENTLEMEN—In relation to the communication submitted to the Board of Education recommending the removal of Miss Kate A. Fitz Gibbon, Vice Principal of Primary School No. 16,

for incompetency and insubordination, I would respectfully state that at a meeting of the Board, held February 20, 1884, she was reported by the City Superintendent for inefficiency, she 'having received, for two consecutive years, the mark of "fair" in instruction.

An investigation was made by the Committee on Teachers, and, although it was proved that she had not done satisfactory work, she was given a further trial, inasmuch as the Superintendent did not recommend her removal at that time.

In her defense she had claimed that her failures had been due to improper promotions into her class, but she acknowledged that her new class was up to grade. In June, at the end of the term, this class was examined and was reported "fair" in instruction.

The Superintendent then consulted with the Trustees, in the hope that Miss Fitz Gibbon, who had taught for several years, might be transferred to some lower position in some other school of the Ward, where she might, possibly, do efficient service.

To this transfer both the Trustees and Miss Fitz Gibbon objected.

In consequence of her failure to render efficient service, the Trustees of the Twenty-first Ward, on February 28, 1885, passed the following resolution :

Resolved, That the City Superintendent be requested to re-examine Miss Kate A. Fitz Gibbon, Vice Principal of Primary School No. 16.

This was signed by the five Trustees of the Ward.

About March 12th Miss Fitz Gibbon called at the office in response to a note from the City Superintendent, and, by agreement, the tenth day of April, at 10 A. M., was selected for the time of examination. She did not appear at the appointed time, nor did she assign any reason for her non-appearance.

She was then served with a certified copy of the action of the Trustees, and, on May 6th, received by messenger the following :

HALL OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, }
May 6th, 1885. }

Miss KATE FITZ GIBBON,

Vice-Principal of Primary School No 16 :

You were notified to call at this office in March in order that a day might be selected for your re-examination, as requested by the Board of Trustees of the Twenty-first Ward.

You failed to appear at the time then appointed—April 10th—and you have assigned no reason for such failure. In accordance with the request of the Trustees, I therefore again notify you to appear at this office on Saturday next, May 9th, at 10 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of being re-examined as a teacher.

Yours respectfully,

JOHN JASPER,

City Superintendent.

Miss Fitz Gibbon paid no attention to this communication.

In view of all these facts I deemed it my duty to recommend her removal for incompetency and insubordination.

Attached hereto is a copy of her record.

I would suggest that she be furnished with a copy of this communication, in order that she may be fully advised in regard to my action in this matter.

Very respectfully,

JOHN JASPER,

City Superintendent.

CITY SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, }
NEW YORK, May 20th, 1885. }

To the Honorable the Board of Education :

GENTLEMEN—I hereby recommend the removal of Miss Kate A. Fitz Gibbon, Vice-Principal of Primary School No. 16, for incompetency and insubordination.

Very respectfully,

JOHN JASPER,

City Superintendent.

Laid over under the rule.

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

Commissioner SCHWAB presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, stating, that they have had under consideration applications from the Trustees of all the Wards, for the annual repairing and cleaning of the heating apparatus in use in all the school buildings under control of the Board, during the summer vacation.

From a report made by the Engineer, it will require an expenditure of about \$15,000 to place the apparatus in good condition for use next winter.

The Committee can authorize an expenditure of \$3,000 from its Building Contingent, in part, for doing this work, and will require an additional appropriation of \$12,000 to complete it. All the expenditure can be done in sums less than \$200.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the sum of twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000) be, and the same hereby is appropriated for the annual repairing, cleaning, etc., of the heating apparatus in use in the school buildings under the control of the Board, to be expended in sums not exceeding \$200, under the direction of the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, upon application for the same being made by School Trustees. The bills to be paid on the approval of the Engineer, Trustees of the respective Wards, and the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

GUSTAV SCHWAB,	} Committee
F. W. DEVOE,	
W. J. WELCH,	
R. M. GALLAWAY,	
HENRY SCHMITT,	
	on
	Warming
	and
	Ventilation.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner SCHWAB presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, to whom were referred applications from the Trustees of the Fourteenth and Twentieth Wards, for new heating apparatus, as follows :

14th Ward.—G. S. No. 21. Substitute steam apparatus for hot-air furnaces.

20th Ward.—G. S. No. 32. Steam apparatus for new addition ;

Stating, that the hot-air furnaces in G. S. No. 21 do not properly heat the building. The heat is not uniform, and the escape of coal gas into the building renders it very uncomfortable and injurious to the health of the teachers and pupils. It is the opinion of the Committee that steam should be placed in this building, and in all other buildings similarly heated, as the funds at the disposal of the Board will permit.

The addition to G. S. No. 32 is a new building in course of erection, and it is necessary that steps should be taken at this time toward placing a heating apparatus therein.

The Committee recommend that the Trustees of these Wards be authorized to advertise for proposals for placing a new steam heating apparatus in the buildings named, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the School Trustees of the Fourteenth and Twentieth Wards be and hereby are authorized to advertise in the *City Record* for two weeks, for proposals for new steam heating apparatus, as follows :

14th Ward.—Grammar School No. 21.

20th Ward.—New addition to Grammar School No. 32.

Plans and specifications to be prepared by the Engineer of the Board, and approved by the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, and Trustees of the Wards named herein.

GUSTAV SCHWAB,	}	<i>Committee on Warming and Ventilation.</i>
F. W. DEVOE,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		
W. J. WELCH,		
HENRY SCHMITT,		

Commissioner SCHWAB asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented a report from the Special Committee on Legislation at Albany, as follows :

NEW YORK, *June 3, 1885.*

To the Board of Education :

The Committee on Legislation, appointed by your honorable body under the resolution found on page 272 of the Minutes, respectfully report :

That immediately after their appointment they took steps towards the performance of the duties imposed upon them.

Upon inquiry it was ascertained that the " Cantor Bill " had been reported favorably from the Committee on Cities of the Senate. Through the efforts of your Committee the bill was recommitted to the Committee on Cities, from which it was not again reported.

In regard to the Interest Bill, your Committee found it referred to the Educational Committee of the Assembly, and no member of the Committee remembered that such a bill was in their Committee. If no action had been taken by your Committee in relation thereto, it would never even have been acted upon by the Assembly Committee. Through the kind exertions of Assemblyman Cantor, who interested himself in behalf of your Committee in favor of the measure an immediate report from the Committee favoring the bill was obtained, and out of its regular order he had it ordered to a third reading and passed.

Through the efforts of Senator Murphy in the Senate, prompt action was taken there, and the bill passed. It is now in the Governor's hands awaiting his signature.

The Committee desire, in this public way, to express their thanks to Assemblyman Cantor and Senator Murphy for the kind assistance given by them in this matter. Although your Committee was opposed to Mr. Cantor's bill, yet, so far as the interest bill was concerned, he made great exertions to secure the passage of the bill in the House, and gave all the possible

assistance to your Committee to obtain its passage in the Senate.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY SCHMITT, GILBERT H. CRAWFORD, WILLIAM WOOD,	}	<i>Special Committee.</i>
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Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Commissioner TRAUD offered the following :

Resolved, That it be referred to the Evening School Committee to report as to the advisability of establishing a Senior Evening School for Females in the Seventeenth Ward.

Adopted.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Commissioner CRAWFORD—

The Board adjourned.

LAWRENCE D. KIERNAN,

Clerk.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17, 1885.

STATED SESSION.

Present—Commissioners CRARY, CRAWFORD, DEVOE, GALLAWAY, HOLT, PERKINS, POMEROY, SCHMITT, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, SIMMONS, TAMSEN, TRAUD, WALLACE, WELCH, WETMORE and WOOD—17.

Absent—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners BELL, KELLY, and VERMILYE—4.

In the absence of the PRESIDENT, the Board was called to order by the Clerk.

On motion of Commissioner SELIGMAN, Commissioner CRAWFORD was chosen PRESIDENT *pro tem*.

On motion of Commissioner SIMMONS, Commissioner BELL was excused for absence from all meetings of the Board, until his return in the Fall.

On motion of Commissioner SIMMONS, the PRESIDENT and Commissioner VERMILYE were excused for absence from this meeting of the Board.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem*. announced for consideration the minutes of the session held on June 3.

Commissioner TAMSEN moved that page 385 be amended by striking out from the third line from the top of the page the name "Louis," and inserting "Lewis."

Which was adopted.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem*. then put the question whether the

Board would adopt the minutes of the session held on June 3d, as printed in the Journal, and amended, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, and Commissioners CRARY, DEVOE, GALLAWAY, HOLT, PERKINS, SCHMITT, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, SIMMONS, TAMSEN, TRAUD, WALLACE, WELCH, WETMORE and WOOD—16.

COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Trustees of the Seventh, Fifteenth and Twenty-fourth Wards, to excuse the absence of teachers, &c.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power conferred by the by-laws.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, for authority to purchase a site, 75 feet front and rear, on south side of One Hundred and Twentieth street, with brick buildings thereon, for \$12,500.

Referred to the Committee on Sites and new Schools.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, for authority to alter and enlarge Grammar School No. 54.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward, recommending Emerson Foote for Trustee, in place of Thomas H. Hartwell, resigned.

Referred to the Committee on Nomination of Trustees.

From the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, recommending that the Evening School in Grammar School No. 81, be closed.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, for authority to

make the alterations, repairs, painting, changes in furniture, etc., necessary to adapt G. S. No. 13 for occupancy by the Female and Primary Departments.

So much as relates to building, referred to the Committee on Buildings.

So much as relates to furniture, referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, for authority to establish a Female Senior Evening School in G. S. No. 79.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, for proposals for furniture for the addition to G. S. No. 61.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, for authority to advertise for proposals for heating apparatus for the addition to G. S. No. 61.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, asking for authority to hire premises for temporary use of classes of G. S. No. 61, from August 1, 1885 to May 1, 1886.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, asking for authority to advertise for proposals for the conveyance of pupils from Williamsbridge to G. S. No. 64.

Referred to the Auditing Committee.

CITY SUPERINTENDENT.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* laid before the Board a communication from the City Superintendent, relative to the absence of Dr. PAUL HOFFMAN, Assistant Superintendent.

Referred to the Auditing Committee.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* laid before the Board the report of the City Superintendent for the month of May, as follows :

CITY SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, }
NEW YORK, June 17, 1885. }

To the Honorable the Board of Education :

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to submit the following report of the transactions of the City Superintendent's Department from May 1st to and including June 12th.

During that time the following named schools were carefully examined in the prescribed studies and exercises : Grammar Schools Nos. 9, 10, 17, 33, 35, 39, 43, 44, 49, 52, 74, 77 ; Male Department No. 57 ; Primary Department No. 83 ; and Primary Schools Nos. 16, 20, 27, 29, 35, 40—a total of 37 schools and 522 classes.

The reports show that 373 classes were *excellent* in instruction, 143 *good*, and 6 *fair*.

Of the 535 classes either examined or inspected 478 were reported *excellent* in discipline, 49 *good*, and 8 *fair*.

In management, 33 schools were found to be *excellent* and 4 *good*.

The yearly examination of the schools under the jurisdiction of the Board is now complete. In the duty of visiting, inspecting and examining these schools the City Superintendent and his Assistants have been employed day after day from the opening in September up to June 13th. It is gratifying to be able to report that the school work of the year has in almost every respect been satisfactorily done. In accordance with the usual practice of the Department, classes marked *fair* in instruction or discipline will be re-examined before the closing of the schools in July.

In compliance with the by-laws of the Board, I hereby report Miss Kate A. Fitz Gibbon, Vice Principal of Primary School No. 16, for inefficiency, she having received "*fair*" in instruction for two consecutive years.

The reports from the Principals of the Grammar and the Primary Schools show that there were on register on the thirty-first day of May, last 140,145 pupils, and that there was during said month an average daily attendance of 128,473—an increase

f 3,554 in enrollment, and of 3,159 in attendance, when compared with the corresponding period of last year.

The whole number of days lost during the month by absence of teachers was 2,381, which is an increase of 234 over the same month in 1884.

Appended will be found a list of teachers in whose classes the absenteeism is in excess of twenty per cent.

Very respectfully,

JOHN JASPER,

City Superintendent.

List of Teachers in whose classes the absenteeism was in excess of twenty per cent. during the month of May, 1885.

School.	Name of Teacher.	Per Cent.	School.	Name of Teacher.	Per Cent.
9.	C. M. Chase	27	F.	31. M. E. Cullivan.	23
21.	J. Bernhardt.	24	"	" J. V. McLean.	21
80.	E. J. Graham.	22	P. D.	19. M. Brophy.	25
"	A. L. Diaz.	26	P. S.	47. M. Clarey.	22
21.	S. F. Sharkey.	23			

So much as relates to Teachers reported, referred to the Committee on Teachers.

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* laid before the Board the following communications :

From Hon. JOSEPH B. CARR, Secretary of State, a certified copy of chap. 494, Laws of 1885, relative to the rate of interest on school house bonds, as follows :

Chap. 494.

AN ACT to amend chapter four hundred and fifty-eight of the Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-four, entitled "An Act to provide additional accommodations for the Common Schools in the City of New York."

Passed June 11, 1885, three-fifths being present.

The People of the State of New York represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section two of chapter four hundred and fifty-eight of the Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-four, entitled "An Act to provide additional accommodations for the Common Schools in the City of New York," is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

§ 2. Said bonds shall be issued, from time to time, during said year eighteen hundred and eighty-four, eighteen hundred and eighty-five and eighteen hundred and eighty-six, as they may be required by said Board of Education, shall run for such term or terms of years as the said Comptroller shall direct, but not longer than twenty-years, and shall draw interest at not more than three and one-half per cent. per annum.

§ 2. Section four of said chapter is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

§ 4. The proceeds of said Bonds, when received, shall forthwith be deemed appropriated for the purchase of new School Sites, for the erection of new School Buildings and additions to present school buildings, and for fitting up and furnishing the same for the use of the Common Schools of the said City of New York, and shall be thereafter disbursed by the Comptroller of the City of New York, in payment of the liabilities incurred by the said Board of Education, for the purposes aforesaid, upon the requisition of said Board, and in the same manner as other moneys appropriated for the maintenance of the Common Schools in said city are usually paid out.

§ 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

STATE OF NEW YORK,
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE, } ss. .

I have compared the preceding with the original law on file in this office, and do hereby certify that the same is a correct transcript therefrom, and of the whole of said original law.

Given under my hand and the seal of office of the Secretary of State, at the City of Albany, this twelfth day of June, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five.

JOSEPH B. CARR,
Secretary of State.

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes.

From the Counsel to the Corporation, relative to the title to the site on Courtland avenue, near East One Hundred and Forty-eighth street, as follows :

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION, }
NEW YORK, *June 4, 1885.*

LAWRENCE D. KIERNAN, Esq.,
Clerk of Board of Education :

SIR—The Board of Education having by resolution adopted November 5, 1884, and amended April 15th, 1885, appropriated the sum of (\$3,000) three thousand dollars for the purchase of a plot of ground on the westerly side of Courtland avenue, distant seventy-five feet from the southwesterly corner of Courtland avenue and East One Hundred and Forty-eighth street, adjoining Primary Department of Grammar School No. 60, and authorized the said sum to be paid by the Comptroller upon the presentation to him of the deed of the said premises, together with the certificate of the Counsel to the Corporation that the title thereto was satisfactory and free from all incumbrances and vested in the Corporation. I have examined such title, and finding the same vested in Charles Schledorn free and clear from all incumbrances, I certified the same to the Comp-

troller, who, upon the delivery of the deed, paid the purchase price ; and the title to the premises is now vested in the city.

In examining the title, I have paid and incurred expenses for fees for searches and surveys, as follows :

Register's fees, Westchester County	\$17 50
County Clerk's fees	25 00
Treasurer's "	2 00
Register's fees, N. Y. Co.	5 30
County Clerk's fees, N. Y. Co.	11 15
Tax search, N. Y. Co.	7 00
Survey	25 00
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	\$92. 95

You will please call the attention of the Board to these disbursements, in order that the same may be returned to me.

Yours respectfully,

E. HENRY LACOMBE,

Counsel to the Corporation.

Referred to the Auditing Committee.

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes.

From the Counsel to the Corporation, relative to the site at Spuyten Duyvil, as follows ;

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION, }
NEW YORK, *June 16, 1885.*

LAWRENCE D. KIERNAN, Esq.,

Secretary Board of Education:

SIR—In compliance with resolutions of the Board of Education, adopted respectively on April 17, July 10, and November 7, 1884, I have examined the title to premises at Spuyten Duyvil, on Johnson and Westchester avenues. In the course of the examination I found several defects in the title which, in my

opinion, render it impossible for the city to acquire a good title to the premises.

These defects, however, can and may be remedied, and if so, I will take whatever steps may be necessary to complete the purchase on behalf of the city.

How long it will take to accomplish this, if at all, I am at present unable to state.

In making the examination, I have incurred expenses for searches and survey, to the amount of \$216.40, as follows :

Westchester County—Clerk.....	\$40 00
“ “ Register.....	27 50
“ “ Treasurer.....	3 00
New York County—Clerk.....	11 45
“ “ Register.....	4 45
“ “ Tax.....	25 00
Survey.....	105 00
Total.....	<u>\$216 40</u>

Will you please call the matter to the attention of the Board, at your earliest convenience, in order that the amount due may be remitted to me.

I am, sir, yours respectfully,
E. HENRY LACOMBE,
Counsel to the Corporation.

Referred to the Auditing Committee.

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes.

From the Counsel to the Corporation, relative to the resignation of School Trustees, as follows :

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION, }
NEW YORK, June 4, 1885.

LAWRENCE D. KIERNAN, Esq.,
Clerk of the Board of Education :

SIR—Your communication, dated April 16, 1885, transmitting

resolution of the Board of Education, passed on April 15, 1885, came duly to hand. The resolution is as follows :

“ Resolved, That it be referred to the Counsel to the Corporation to advise the Board whether or not a resignation by a School Trustee, filed with the Board, operates as a termination of his tenure of office, without acceptance of the same or other action by this Board.”

School Trustees are appointed by the Board of Education (Consolidation Act, section 1025), and it is to that Board the resignation of a School Trustee should be presented.

I understand it to be the law in this State that, where a resignation has been presented to the Board or officer that appointed the individual so resigning, the office becomes *ipso facto* vacant, irrespective of the fact whether the resignation has or has not been accepted.

Gilbert *vs.* Luce, 11 Barbour, 91.

Olmstead *vs.* Dennis, 77 N. Y., 378.

I am, sir, yours respectfully,

E. HENRY LACOMBE,

Counsel to the Corporation.

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes.

From W. J. Lyon, Auditor, transmitting the rules and regulations and prices for printing, adopted by the Board of *City Record*.

Referred to the Auditing Committee.

From R. G. Beardslee, Esq., Counsel to the Board, relative to the proceedings in the matter of rent of No. 626 Washington street, as follows :

THIRD DISTRICT COURT.

ABRAM NELSON,
Landlord,

AGST.

EDWARD CROMMELIN,
Tenant,

AND THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND
JOHN DOE,
Under-tenants.

As to Premises 626 Wash-
ington street, occupied
by P. S. 7.

106 BROADWAY, }
June 15, 1885. }

DEAR SIR—I appeared for the Board of Education in above case at 9:30 this morning.

The matter was settled by payment made by Crommelin to Nelson, of the rent to 10th July, 1885, and costs, and was so marked by the judge on the copy summons served on you. This, of course, ends the proceeding, and leaves the lease to the Trustees in force.

Very truly yours,

R. G. BEARDSLEE.

LAWRENCE D. KIERNAN,

Clerk of the Board of Education.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes.

From Thomas J. Nealis, Engineer of the Board, relative to the sanitary condition of G. S. building No. 19, in the Seventeenth Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From Thomas J. Nealis, Engineer of the Board, relative to the sanitary condition of G. S. building No. 6, on Randall's Island.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From Thomas H. Hartwell, resigning his office as Trustee of the Fifteenth Ward, on account of removal from the Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Nomination of Trustees.

From Mr. A. Bitter, complaining of discourtesy and ill-treatment by a Principal and one of her Assistants.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From Mrs. A. W. Smith, a complaint against the dismissal of her son from P. D. G. S. No. 83.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From Dr. D. L. Lyons, asking that a pupil of Male Department G. S. No. 49 be granted a special permit on account of physical infirmity.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From Jared S. Babcock, asking that his music crayon holder be added to the list of supplies.

Referred to the Committee on Supplies.

From Mrs. H. H. Cole, relative to an improved water filter, to be used in schools.

Referred to the Committee on Supplies.

From Harper & Brothers, asking that their new graded copy books be added to the list of supplies.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From Frederick Leuthner, asking that his physical, political and agricultural wall map of the United States, be added to the list of supplies.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From Krone Brothers, asking that their German and Eng-

lish Penmanship and Drawing Books be added to the list of supplies.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From Clark & Maynard, asking that sundry books be added to the list of supplies.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

RESOLUTIONS TO BE REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Commissioner TAMSEN offered the following :

Whereas, In Primary School No. 16, in the Twenty-first Ward, there are alleged to be four Grammar Grade Classes ;

Whereas, The Grammar Schools Nos. 14 and 49, in said Ward, can evidently accommodate these four Grammar Classes ;

Whereas, By a transfer of these classes a saving of several thousand dollars would be effected ; Be it referred to the Committee on Teachers to consider the expediency of consolidating said classes with either Grammar School No. 14 or Grammar School No. 49.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

Commissioner DEVOE asked and obtained unanimous consent to offer a resolution, in connection with the application from the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, for authority to advertise for proposals for the conveyance of pupils to G. S. No. 64.

Commissioner DEVOE moved that the reference of said application to the Auditing Committee (Journal of this date, p. 401) be withdrawn.

Which was adopted.

Commissioner DEVOE then offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the School Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to advertise for pro-

posals for conveying pupils from Williamsbridge to Grammar School No. 64, at Fordham, from September 14, 1885, to July 4, 1886.

Adopted.

Commissioner DEVOE offered the following :

Resolved, That the Board of Education hereby requests its counsel to advise it at its next meeting as to the proper action to be taken to enable the Comptroller to offer and endeavor to dispose of the balance of the "School House Bonds," amounting to about \$1,670,000, in accordance with the amended act passed by the Legislature at its last session.

Adopted.

REPORTS LAID OVER UNDER THE RULE.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced for consideration the report of the Auditing Committee relative to electric lights for the Evening High School, Journal, pp. 372, 373.

On motion of Commissioner SCHMITT—

Said report was laid over, and to retain its place in the schedule.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced the report of the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, relative to the introduction of physical instruction in three schools to be selected for said purpose, Journal, pp. 375, 376.

Commissioner WOOD moved that the first resolution be amended by adding thereto, "and that all by-laws or parts of by-laws inconsistent with this resolution be suspended for said purposes."

Which was adopted.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolutions attached to the report of the Committee, as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, and Commissioners Orary,

Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch and Wood—15.

Nays—Commissioners Pomeroy and Wetmore—2.

On motion of Commissioner SCHMITT—

Said report was referred to the Committee on By-Laws, &c., to report at the next meeting of the Board.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced the report of the Committee on School Furniture, to authorize the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward to advertise for proposals for furniture for the new addition to G. S. No. 32, Journal, pp. 376, 377.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced the report of the Committee on Evening Schools, to authorize the admission of senior pupils, and instruction in mechanical and industrial drawing in E. S. No. 62, Twenty-third Ward, Journal, pp. 378, 379.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, and Commissioners Crary, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—17.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced the report of the Committee on Evening Schools, to authorize the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward to establish a female E. S. for Juniors in G. S. No. 4, in said Ward, Journal, pp. 379, 380.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, and Commissioners Crary, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—17.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced the report of the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to pay Mrs. Emma Lee for services, in care of P. D. G. S. No. 83, Journal, p. 382..

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, and Commissioners Crary, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—17.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced the report of the Committee on Nomination of Trustees, recommending Lewis S. Goebel and Robert E. Steel for School Trustees of the Eleventh and Twelfth Wards, respectively, Journal, pp. 384, 385.

Commissioner TRAUD called for a division of the question, which was ordered.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt so much of the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, as relates to the appointment of Lewis S. Goebel, for Trustee of the Eleventh Ward, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, and Commissioners Crary, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—17.

Commissioner TRAUD moved that the name of John C. Limbeck be substituted for that of Robert E. Steel, as Trustee for the Twelfth Ward.

Which was lost.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt so much of the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, as relates to the appointment of Robert E. Steel, for Trustee of the Twelfth Ward, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, and Commissioners Crary,

Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—15.

Nays—Commissioners Traud and Wallace—2.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced the report of the Committee on Buildings, to pay John Paton \$75 for services as acting Janitor of Branch P. D. G. S. No. 78, for three months in 1884, Journal, pp. 385, 386.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Ayes—The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, and Commissioners Crary, Devoe, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—16.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced the report of the Committee on Buildings, denying the application of the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward to underdrain the cellar of Grammar School No. 55, Journal, page 386.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced the report of the Committee on Buildings, to pay John McCusker for cleaning Branch P. D. G. S. No. 78, Journal, pp. 388, 389.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the first resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the second resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Ayes—The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, and Commissioners Crary, Devoe, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—16.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced the report of the Commit-

tee on Teachers, adverse to paying Mrs. Emma T. Kilmer for services as acting Principal of F. D. G. S. No. 8, Journal, p. 389.

On motion of Commissioner SCHMITT—

Laid over, and to retain its place on the schedule.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, to excuse absence of teachers, with full pay, Journal, p. 390.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, and Commissioners Orary, Devoe, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—16.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, recommending the removal of Miss Kate A. FitzGibbon for incompetency and insubordination, Journal, pp. 390-393.

On motion of Commissioner POMEROY—

Laid over and to retain its place on the schedule.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented a report from the Auditing Committee, stating, that at a meeting of the Board, held July 9, 1884 (Journal of 1884, p. 643), the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward were authorized to advertise for proposals for conveying pupils from Williamsbridge to Grammar School No. 64, at Fordham, from September 8, 1884, to July 3, 1885. Pursuant to this resolution the Trustees advertised, and received bids from John P. Garniss, \$3.50 per day, number of pupils not to exceed thirty-five; Michael Dooley, \$5.00 per day, the number not limited; John Schraeder, \$5.50 per day for thirty-five pupils; and Mary Stapleton, \$4.50 per day.

These proposals were never submitted to this Board for action. A certificate, signed by the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, dated April 6, 1885, certifies that at a meeting of the said Trustees, held September 22, 1884, the bids were opened, and the bid of John P. Garniss, being the lowest, was accepted.

Two bills have now been presented to this Board by Mr. Garniss, for conveying pupils under the contract—one from September 29th to December 25, 1884, for \$210.00 ; the other from January 5 to 30, 1885, for \$70.00.

Although the action of the Trustees in not submitting the proposed contract to this Board for ratification was, in the opinion of the Committee, not proper, yet, under the peculiar circumstances of the case, and the Trustees having awarded the contract to the lowest bidder, the Committee think the contract with John P. Garniss should be ratified, if necessary, by this Board, and that his bills as presented should be paid and offer for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the action of the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward in entering into an agreement with John P. Garniss to convey pupils from Williamsbridge to Grammar School No. 64, and return, at the rate of \$3.50 per schol day, from September 29, 1884, to July 3, 1885, be approved.

Resolved, That the bills rendered by the said John P. Garniss, under said contract, one from September 29 to December 25, 1884, for the sum of \$210, the other from January 5 to 30, 1885, for the sum of \$70, be allowed, and the same paid from the Incidental Expense Account of the Board of Education for the years 1884 and 1885, respectively.

HENRY SCHMITT,	}	<i>Auditing Committee.</i>
H. B. PERKINS,		
DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,		
W. B. WALLACE,		

Commissioner SCHMITT asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board

would adopt the resolutions attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, and Commissioners Crary, Devoe, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—16.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented a report from the Auditing Committee, stating, that they have examined the accompanying bills of the *Evening Post Job Printing Office*, for printing, and believing the items thereof to be correct, and the charges reasonable, recommend their payment by the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the following named bills of the *Evening Post Job Printing Office*, for printing, be, and they hereby are approved for payment :

For printing miscellaneous blanks, &c.,		
March 3 to 30, '85	\$42 82	
Wrappers, &c., for Annual Report,		
April 20	31 58	
	<hr/>	\$74 40
For printing miscellaneous blanks, &c.,		
March 5 to 31, '85	\$122 85	
1,500 copies Annual Report of Normal		
College, Ap. 16, '85	160 00	
1,750 copies Annual Report of Board		
for 1884, Ap. 16, '85	857 50	
3,000 copies Report City Supt. for		
1884, Ap. 16, '85	145 59	
	<hr/>	1,285 94
For printing 500 copies Official Direct-		
ory, Ap. 16, '85		30 00
1,000 copies Manual of 1885, Ap. 20, '85		369 00
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		\$1,759 34

HENRY SCHMITT,	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
H. B. PERKINS,	
DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,	
W. B. WALLACE,	

Commissioner SCHMITT asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, and Commissioners Crary, Devoe, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—16.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented a report from the Auditing Committee, relative to a bill of the Northern Gas Light Company, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Northern Gas Light Company has presented to your Committee a bill for the lighting of Grammar School No. 65, in the Twenty-fourth Ward, for the month ending December 31, 1884, amounting to 4,000 feet.

The Janitor of the school says that he does not think that 4,000 feet of gas was consumed, but thinks the consumption was about the same as for the month of October, 1884, to wit, 3,800 feet.

It seems that in September last the Company placed in a new meter, and that in the month of December this meter did not work. They removed the meter on the 4th of January last and put in an old meter. As the meter did not record the amount of gas used in December, 1884, your Committee desired to know how the Company had arrived at the amount charged, to wit, 4,000 cubic feet. The Company admitted that the meter did not work properly, that one of the hands on the dial became fixed so that they were obliged to send the meter to the shop for repair.

The Company informed your Committee that the bill for gas consumed was based on "an estimate from gas consumed from about the 15th of November to January 1st. It is averaged on the consumption of last year."

The President of the Company informed your Committee that finding that the meter was out of order in December, 1884, they estimated the amount used by comparing with bills for December, 1883, and the month of January, 1885, when the new meter was put in.

Your Committee do not feel justified in approving this bill.

The Janitor says that he did not consume any more gas in December, 1884, than he did in October, 1884, to wit, 1,800 feet. The Gas Company cannot prove that *any* gas was used, and the only testimony as to the amount of gas consumed that can be obtained is from the Janitor, who fixes the amount at about 1,800 feet. This amount should be allowed.

Your Committee has heretofore reported its opinion on the subject of gas meters. If the companies were more careful and made monthly investigations of the meters to see if they registered correctly, the Board would be, in the opinion of your Committee, largely benefited. When a case does arise where a company claims that more gas was consumed than the meter recorded, your Committee thinks that positive evidence ought to be produced that the gas charged for was actually consumed before any bill therefor be allowed.

Your Committee, therefore, recommend for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the bill of the Northern Gas Light Company for gas consumed in Grammar School No. 65, in the Twenty-fourth Ward, for the month ending December 31, 1884, be allowed, at the charge for 1,800 cubic feet of gas.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY SCHMITT,	}	<i>Auditing Committee.</i>
H. B. PERKINS,		
DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,		
W. B. WALLACE,		

June 17, 1885.

Laid over under the rule.

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented a report from the Auditing

Committee, relative to the bill of Thomas Falvey, for removing books, etc., from G. S. No. 39 to G. S. No. 78, as follows :

the Board of Education :

A communication from Mr. Thomas Falvey, dated June 13, 1885, was referred to your Committee.

From this communication it appears that Mr. Falvey did more work than that of merely removing books, as stated in the bill, and in regard to which your Committee made reports in December and January last (see pp. 977, 978, 1014, Minutes of 1884, and pp. 32, 33, 34 and 65, Minutes of 1885). The bill reads as follows :

For removing books from upper story of Grammar School No. 39 and depositing them in upper story of Grammar School No. 78, 15 days work for laborer, at \$2.75, \$41.25 ; 12 cartages, at 75c., \$9—\$50.25."

When this bill was received, as appears on the face thereof, it was for removing books only.

Mr. Falvey was notified to appear before your Committee, and he was interrogated in regard to the bill. His only claim was for removal of books. When the Committee made its report, no intimation had been given that Mr. Falvey had done any other work. Had he then called the attention of the Board or of your Committee to the fact that he had removed not only books, but "almost every thing mentioned in the list of supplies for Grammar Schools, including map stands, globes, minerals and mineral cases," and the taking down from the walls of the cases, etc., as now stated by him in his communication, there is no doubt that your Committee would have reported as it now reports, in favor of paying him the full amount of his bill.

The fact that the report was made as it was; was due solely to Mr. Falvey's not stating in his bill that which he now states in his communication—namely, that, in addition to removing books, he removed the articles aforesaid.

Your Committee therefore respectfully recommend for adoption the following resolutions :

Resolved, That the resolution, page 34 of the minutes, be reconsidered.

Resolved, That the figures “\$25” be stricken out and the figures “\$50.25” be inserted in place thereof; and that after the word “books” the words “and for removing supplies, map stands, slates, minerals and mineral cases” be inserted; this sum to be paid to said Falvey upon his presenting a statement of the articles removed by him.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY SCHMITT,	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
H. B. PERKINS,	
DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,	
W. B. WALLACE,	

June 17, 1885.

Commissioner SCHMITT asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

Commissioner SCHMITT moved that the vote on the resolution found on page 34, as recorded on page 65 of the Journal, be reconsidered.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, and Commissioners Crary, Devoe, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—16.

Commissioner SCHMITT moved that the resolution be amended by striking out “\$25,” and inserting “\$50.25,” and inserting the words “and for removing supplies, map stands, slates, minerals and mineral cases,” &c., after “books.”

Which was adopted.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, Journal p. 34, as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, and Commissioners Crary,

Devoe, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—15.

Nay—Commissioner Traud—1.

On motion of Commissioner SCHMITT—

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented a report from the Auditing Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, asking for the payment of the bill of Dr. Charles Liebenau, for professional services rendered Master Zohlmann, a pupil of Primary Department Grammar School No. 61, amounting to \$10 ; stating, that on March 9, 1885, the said pupil, while playing in the school yard fell and broke his leg. The Principal of the school being unable to obtain the services of a Police Surgeon, as required by section 129 of the by-laws, employed Dr. Liebenau, who took charge of the case.

The Committee recommend that the bill be paid, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That Dr. Charles Liebenau be paid the sum of ten dollars (\$10) from the Incidental Expense Account of the Board of Education, for professional services rendered to Master Zohlmann, a pupil of Primary Department Grammar School No. 61, on March 9, 1885, in accordance with section 129. of the by-laws.

HENRY SCHMITT,	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
H. B. PERKINS,	
DE WITT J. SELIGMAN,	
W. B. WALLACE,	

Commissioner SCHMITT asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, and Commissioners Crary, Devoe, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman,

Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood
—16.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented a report from the Auditing Committee, stating, that they have examined the accompanying bills, and believing the items thereof to be correct, and the charges reasonable, recommend their payment by the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the following named bills be, and they hereby are approved for payment :

E. Henry Lacombe, Counsel to the Corporation, disbursements in examining title to plot of ground on Courtland ave., adjoining P. D. G. S. No. 60, June 4, 1885	\$92 95
T. G. Sellew, desks, &c., for engineer's office, Hall of Board, May 29, 1885	108 50
Mackay's <i>A B C Guide</i> , subscription, June 8, 1885, to June 7, 1886...	6 00
B. Moynahan, reporting and transcript of testi- mony in the matter of charges against Trustee Phillips, of Eleventh Ward, June 10, 1885.....	18 75
E. Henry Lacombe, Counsel to the Corpora- tion, disbursements in examining title to prem- ises at Spuyten Duyvil, on Johnson and West- chester avenues, June 16, 1885	216 40
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HENRY SCHMITT, H. B. PERKINS, DEWITT J. SELIGMAN, W. B. WALLACE,	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
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Commissioner SCHMITT asked and obtained unanimous con-
sent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board
would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Com-
mittee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, and Commissioners Crary,

Devoe, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—16.

Commissioner TRAUD presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, submitting the names of instructors in the Evening High School for the term of 1885-1886, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Committee on Evening Schools, in conformity with section 108 of the by-laws, respectfully submit herewith a resolution appointing the instructors for the Evening High School for the term of 1885 and 1886.

A resolution is also submitted authorizing the principal of the School to employ seven of his Assistants to assist in the registration and classification of pupils during the two weeks prior to the commencement of the term :

Resolved, That the following named persons be, and hereby are appointed instructors in the Evening High School for the term of 1885 and 1886 :

Wilbur F. Hudson, General Assistant.

Thomas Greenwood, Latin and English.

Henry S. Carr, Reading and Declamation.

La Fayette Olney, Mathematics.

Edward A. Page, English Grammar and Composition.

Abraham K. Van Vleck, Arithmetic.

Hugh Carlisle, Penmanship.

Francis Melville, Free Hand Drawing.

Thomas G. Williamson, Architectural and Mechanical Drawing.

Charles F. Hartman, Bookkeeping.

John Harmon, “

Andrew J. Whiteside, “

J. H. Zabriskie, “

John Doty, Arithmetic.

Charles A. Deshon, Arithmetic.

Elijah A. Howland, Arithmetic and Chemistry.

George White, Phonography.

Wm. Stratford, M. D., Anatomy and Physiology.

Wm. C. Hess, German.

Adam E. Schulte, German.

Frank Daulté, French.

Albert Guichard, “

Alberto de Tornos, Spanish.

Elmer Poulson, Bookkeeping.

James J. Grady, Arithmetic.

Resolved, That the Principal of the Evening High School be, and is hereby authorized to employ seven of his Assistants during the two weeks previous to the commencement of the term, to assist in the registration and classification of pupils applying for admission, said Assistants to be paid the salary prescribed for teachers in the Evening High School.

FERDINAND TRAUD,	}	<i>Committee on Evening Schools.</i>
CHARLES CRABY,		
W. J. WELCH,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		
HENRY SCHMITT,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner TRAUD presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, appointing teachers in the Evening Schools, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Committee on Evening Schools, to whom were referred the nominations by the School Trustees of the several wards, of Principals and Teachers for the Evening Schools for the term of 1885 and 1886, respectfully report :

That by direction of the Committee, the City Superintendent reported on the qualifications of the several candidates for the positions to be filled in the Evening Schools. Upon the receipt of his report, the Committee carefully considered the merits of

candidate, and submit their conclusions in a resolution added to this report.

In the Fourteenth Ward the Trustees nominated Mrs. E. A. Sullivan for Principal, but inasmuch as she failed to obtain necessary license upon examination before the City Superintendent, the Committee respectfully recommend Mrs. Alice E. Evers who has performed the duties of Principal in this same school for the last thirteen years, and the record of whose management during this period has been excellent, as attested by the reports of the Examining Officer.

The Trustees of the Eleventh Ward have nominated James McCoy for Principal, while the minority of the Trustees submit the name of Alanson Palmer.

Mr. McCoy, the nominee of a majority of the Trustees, has been Principal of this school for a number of years, and has performed the duties of the position satisfactorily, and he is therefore recommended for appointment.

The consideration of several nominations has been deferred to the present, as the Committee are not prepared to report on them at this time.

The following resolutions are submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the following named persons be, and they hereby are appointed to the respective positions named herein, in the several Evening Schools for the term of 1885 and 1886 :

FOURTH WARD—JUNIOR EVENING SCHOOL NO. 1.

Principal, George H. Davis. Assistants—1, W. Tugwell Fox ; 2, John P. Fawcett ; 3, William L. Stone ; 4, Joseph H. Wade.

FIFTH WARD—SENIOR EVENING SCHOOL NO. 44.

Principal, Samuel Morehouse. Assistants—1, Henry L. Heister ; 2, James T. Carey ; 3, Patrick Gleason ; 4, Henry H. R. Ulrich ; 5, John J. McNulty ; 6 (German), John Nehrbas.

SEVENTH WARD—JUNIOR EVENING SCHOOL NO. 2.

Principal, Lizzie F. Killeen. Assistants—1, Margaret B.

Cunningham ; 2, Mary Kennelly ; 3, Una Mulry ; 4, Kate A. Stephens ; 5 (German), Amelia Roeder ; 6, Emma J. Hanly ; 7, Elmire M. Panlon ; 8, Annie L. Prendergast ; 9, Margaret Roche ; 10, Ida A. Everitt ; 11, Margaret Devine ; 12, Esther Jacobs ; 13, Nellie L. Mernin ; 14, Mary A. Ducey ; 15, Nora A. Curtis ; 16, Margaret Cummins ; 18, Ellen T. Mulhearn ; 19, Maria R. Moore ; 20 (German), Ida Japha ; 21, Theresa M. Rice ; 22, Agnes M. Dunn.

EIGHTH WARD—JUNIOR EVENING SCHOOL NO. 8.

Principal, John T. Maguire. Assistants—1, Edward McFadden ; 2, Giacomo Dapra ; 3, Louis P. Husen ; 4, Charles L. Lawrence ; 6, Vincent Aldridge ; 7, G. R. D. Anotonini.

NINTH WARD—JUNIOR EVENING SCHOOL NO. 16.

Principal, Oscar P. Howe. Assistants—1, Charles Stewart ; 2, Theodore D. Camp ; 3, James T. Bates ; 4, Abraham K. Van Vleck ; 5, Walter L. McCorkle ; 6, John W. Nammack ; 7, Russell W. S. Blackwell ; 8 (French), George Batchelor ; 9 (French), J. B. Eugene Cantel ; 10 (German), Louis Wagener.

TENTH WARD—JUNIOR EVENING SCHOOL NO. 20.

Principal, J. Frank Wright. Assistants—1, Peter Morrogh ; 2, Henry M. Farrell ; 3, Chas. J. Chatfield ; 4, Charles A. Ricker ; 5, George W. Stewart ; 6, William B. Clark ; 7 (German), Gustave Straubenmuller ; 8, George A. Euring ; 9, August L. Martin ; 10, Frederick Keim ; 11, Reuben Cronsens ; 12, George Haas ; 13, Richard M. Fleming ; 14, Frederick Matthews.

ELEVENTH WARD—JUNIOR EVENING SCHOOL NO. 22.

Principal, James J. McCoy. Assistants—1, Charles E. Her-ring ; 3, Patrick Cunniam ; 4, David Birch ; 5, William A. Buckley ; 6, Peter F. McCormick ; 7 (German), Adolph Mischlich ; 8 (German), David Rauch ; 9 (German), Joseph L. Buttenweiser ; 10 (German), Bernard Cronsens.

ELEVENTH WARD—JUNIOR EVENING SCHOOL NO. 15.

Principal, Emma Paul. Assistants—1, Emma Weed; 2, Mary F. Hasson; 3, Hannah R. Phillips; 4, Mary A. Thompson; 5 (German), Hattie P. Weber; 7 (Bohemian), Antonia Patsouric; 8 (Bohemian), Rosa Flashner.

TWELFTH WARD—JUNIOR EVENING SCHOOL NO. 37.

Principal, H. W. Mitchell. Assistants—1, Samuel McC. Crosby; 2, John Harmon; 3, Frank L. Sevanoak; 4, Frank K. Perkins; 5, Alfred Eaton; 6, George I. Malcolm; 7, Charles R. Hexamer; 10 (German), Gustav Kessler.

TWELFTH WARD—SENIOR EVENING SCHOOL NO. 57.

Principal, Stinson McIver. Assistants—1, Thomas Fanning; 2, William L. Gaddis; 3, James P. McIver; 5, James T. Hoyt; (German), Max Granisch; 9 (German), Max Schwerd.

TWELFTH WARD—JUNIOR EVENING SCHOOL NO. 39.

Assistants—1, Kate McDermot; 2 (Music), Adele Cohen.

FOURTEENTH WARD—SENIOR EVENING SCHOOL NO. 21.

Principal, Alice E. Myers. Assistants—1, Emma F. O'Neill; 2, Mary E. Kale; 3, Mary E. Shea; 4, Mary A. McGrane; 5 (Music), Margaret E. McDonald; 6, Sarah T. Sharkey; 7 (French), Edith E. Kopf.

SIXTEENTH WARD—SENIOR EVENING SCHOOL NO. 45.

Principal, Jennie Ure. Assistants—1, Charlotte Ecker; 2, Maggie J. Kernahan; 3, Margaret J. Robinson; 4, Anna Murphy; 5, Emmeline Miller.

SEVENTEENTH WARD—SENIOR EVENING SCHOOL NO. 13.

Principal, William T. Traud. Assistants—1, Peter E. Tarpey; 2, Peter McCormick; 3, Charles J. Sullivan; 4, Edgar Knickerbocker; 5, Sherrod Soule; 6, James Keily; 7 (German),

Louis Oppenheim ; 8 (German), Eugene F. J. Gutgsell ; 9 (German), George C. Hessell ; 10 (German), Bernard Kuttner ; 11 (German), Ph. H. Grunenthal ; 12 (German), Frank A. Schmidt ; 13 (German), John Vogt ; 15 (German), Otto W. Rimpler ; 16 (German), Albert F. Harr ; 17 (German), Paul W. Jacob.

SEVENTEENTH WARD—JUNIOR EVENING SCHOOL NO. 25.

Principal, James Burke. Assistants—1, Addison J. Lyon ; 3, James A. Hanley ; 4, Eugene P. Moore ; 5, Stanhope W. Marston ; 6, Henry Cassidy ; 7, William A. Kirkwood ; 8 (German), Philip T. Leydendecker ; 9 (German), Sigmund Tynberg ; 10 (German), Henry S. Stark ; 11 (German), Julius Stein ; 12 (German), Charles W. Wolfertz ; 13 (German), Richard Dudensing ; 14 (German), Vincent Pisek.

SEVENTEENTH WARD—JUNIOR EVENING SCHOOL NO. 19.

Principal, Caroline L. Langbein. Assistants—1, Jennie L. Murphy ; 2, Mary Talbot ; 3, Amelia A. Litson ; 4, Kate C. Taff ; 5, Julia Luecke ; 6 (Music), Louise T. Warner ; 7 (Music), Margaret M. Keogh ; 8 (Music), Laura Stork ; 9 (German), Eliz. Kohlisch.

EIGHTEENTH WARD—JUNIOR EVENING SCHOOL NO. 40.

Principal, Joseph G. Furey. Assistants—1, John W. Davis ; 2, Francis G. Caldwell ; 3, Patrick B. O'Meara ; 4, William J. Robinson ; 5, Robert B. Keyser ; 6, John E. Brown ; 7 (German), Wm. B. Friedberg ; 8, Francis X. Braulik ; 9, Alex. H. McKinney.

NINETEENTH WARD—SENIOR EVENING SCHOOL NO. 18.

Principal, Frank J. Coleman. Assistants—1, Bayard W. Purcell ; 2, Frank A. Lafferty ; 3, Edward P. Carroll ; 4, Michael J. O'Connell ; 5, Orin B. Judd ; 6, Wm. A. King ; 8, (German), David Königsberg ; 9, (German), Moses Moritz ; 10, (German), Seligman Heyman ; 11 (Bohemian), Louis F. Misowski.

NINETEENTH WARD—SENIOR EVENING SCHOOL NO. 59.

Principal, Eliza Pell. Assistants—1, Irene Pierce; 2 (German), Elizabeth Lanpher; 3, Pauline Rubin; 4, Hannah S. Zimmer; 5 (Music), Anne Davidson; 6, (Bohemian), Cecilia Pisek.

TWENTIETH WARD—JUNIOR EVENING SCHOOL NO. 32.

Principal, Richmond B. Elliott. Assistants—1, William H. Storrs; 2, Saml. Hanaway; 3, Edward H. Clark; 4, Thomas W. Dobbie; 5, John McCormick; 6, Edward W. Stitt; 7, Philip G. Becker; 8, William H. Stoops; 9, Albert B. Hardy; 10 (German), Wm. Meyersfeld; 11 (German), Edmund Bittiner; 12 (German), Alex. H. Harris; 13 (German), John O. Hill.

TWENTY-FIRST WARD—JUNIOR EVENING SCHOOL NO. 49.

Principal, Sarah J. J. McCaffery. Assistants—1, Jennie M. Pike; 2, Kate A. Reid; 3 (Music), Anna E. Masterson; 4, Maggie A. Kearney; 5, Elizabeth A. Burns; 6, Margaret A. Thompson.

TWENTY-SECOND WARD—JUNIOR EVENING SCHOOL NO. 28.

Principal, Mary A. Flynn. Assistants—1, Mary E. Smith; 2, Margaret Finley; 3, Mary H. Smith; 4, Julia K. Root; 5 (Music), Mary J. Carolan; 6, Janet C. Burnett; 7, Anastasia Horgan; 8 (German), Emma Kaufmann.

TWENTY-SECOND WARD—SENIOR EVENING SCHOOL NO. 58.

Principal, Matthew J. Elgas. Assistants—Abner B. Holly; 2, Joshua D. Day; 3, George H. Phelps; 4, Edwin A. Daniels; 5 (German), John Baumeister; 6, Oscar Weineck; 7, Martin H. Ray; 8, Wm. Wickham Smith; 9, F. J. G. Ladd.

TWENTY-THIRD WARD—MIXED EVENING SCHOOL NO. 62.

Principal, Elijah D. Clark. Assistants—1 (Boys), Eugene F. J. Gutgsell; 2 (Boys), John F. Condon; 3 (Boys), Joseph Gill,

Jr. ; 1 (Girls), Jane E. Trask ; 2 (Girls), Annie E. Bigelow ; (German), Herman Paul ; (German), Herman Jarecky.

Resolved, That all future nominations for positions as assistant teachers in the Evening Schools, made by the several Boards of School Trustees, be referred to the Committee on Evening Schools, with power to confirm or reject the same.

Respectfully submitted,

FERDINAND TRAUD,	}	<i>Committee on Evening Schools.</i>
W. J. WELCH,		
CHARLES CRARY,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		
HENRY SCHMITT,		

Laid over under the rule.

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

Commissioner TRAUD presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, to whom was referred the report of the City Superintendent, and communications from the Trustees of the First and Sixteenth Wards, recommending that the Evening Schools formerly held in Grammar Schools Nos. 29 and 81, respectively, be discontinued ; stating, that the attendance in these Evening Schools during the last term is too small to justify their continuance, the attendance at No. 29 being 84, and at No. 81, 68.

The Committee recommend that these schools be closed, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the Evening Schools heretofore held in Grammar School No. 29, in the First Ward, and Grammar School No. 81 in the Sixteenth Ward, be, and hereby are discontinued, and that section 101 of the by-laws be amended by striking from the list of Evening Schools "G. S. No. 29" in the "First Ward," and "G. S. No. 81" in the "Sixteenth Ward."

FERDINAND TRAUD,	}	<i>Committee on Evening Schools.</i>
CHARLES CRARY,		
W. J. WELCH,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		
HENRY SCHMITT,		

Laid over under the rule,

Commissioner TRAUD presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, in compliance with the following resolution, adopted June 3d (Journal, p. 397):

“Resolved, That it be referred to the Evening School Committee to report as to the advisability of establishing a Senior Evening School for Females in the Seventeenth Ward.”

Stating, that the matter was first brought to the attention of the Committee in an application from the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward to organize a Mixed Senior and Junior Evening School for Females in No. 19. The Committee were opposed to this action, for the reason that the Junior School in No. 19 is well organized and doing good work. To allow senior pupils to attend the school in question would lead to confusion and an interference with the course of study as presented in the Manual, and the uniform law of the Board with respect thereto.

The Trustees have now applied for authority to organize a Senior Evening School for Females in Grammar School No. 79. The Committee favor the proposition, for the reason that facilities should be afforded females over eighteen years of age to attend Evening School, if a sufficient number express a wish therefor. The Trustees have stated such to be the fact, and allege as and for their reason that there are but three Senior Evening Schools for Females in the city—No. 21, in Marion street; No. 45, in West Twenty-fourth street; and No. 59, in East Fifty-seventh street, all of which are at long distances from the Seventeenth Ward.

The Committee, therefore, deem it advisable that a Senior School should be established in the Seventeenth Ward, and that it should be located in Grammar School No. 79.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption:

Resolved, That the School Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to organize a Senior Evening School for Females in Grammar School building

Jr.; 1 (Girls), Jane E. Trask; 2 (Girls), Annie E. Bigelow; (German), Herman Paul; (German), Herman Jarecky.

Resolved, That all future nominations for positions as assistant teachers in the Evening Schools, made by the several Boards of School Trustees, be referred to the Committee on Evening Schools, with power to confirm or reject the same.

Respectfully submitted,

FERDINAND TRAUD,
W. J. WELCH,
CHARLES CRARY,
R. M. GALLAWAY,
HENRY SCHMITT,

} Committee
on
Evening Schools.

Laid over under the rule.

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

Commissioner TRAUD presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, to whom was referred the report of the City Superintendent, and communications from the Trustees of the First and Sixteenth Wards, recommending that the Evening Schools formerly held in Grammar Schools Nos. 29 and 81, respectively, be discontinued; stating, that the attendance in these Evening Schools during the last term is too small to justify their continuance, the attendance at No. 29 being 84, and at No. 81, 68.

The Committee recommend that these schools be closed, and submit the following resolution for adoption:

Resolved, That the Evening Schools heretofore held in Grammar School No. 29, in the First Ward, and Grammar School No. 81 in the Sixteenth Ward, be, and hereby are discontinued, and that section 101 of the by-laws be amended by striking from the list of Evening Schools "G. S. No. 29" in the "First Ward," and "G. S. No. 81" in the "Sixteenth Ward."

FERDINAND TRAUD,
CHARLES CRARY,
W. J. WELCH,
R. M. GALLAWAY,
HENRY SCHMITT,

} Committee
on
Evening Schools,

Laid over under the rule,

Commissioner TRAUD presented a report from the Committee Evening Schools, in compliance with the following resolution, adopted June 3d (Journal, p. 397):

Resolved, That it be referred to the Evening School Committee to report as to the advisability of establishing a Senior Evening School for Females in the Seventeenth Ward."

Stating, that the matter was first brought to the attention of the Committee in an application from the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward to organize a Mixed Senior and Junior Evening School for Females in No. 19. The Committee were opposed to this action, for the reason that the Junior School No. 19 is well organized and doing good work. To allow junior pupils to attend the school in question would lead to confusion and an interference with the course of study as presented in the Manual, and the uniform law of the Board with respect thereto.

The Trustees have now applied for authority to organize a Senior Evening School for Females in Grammar School No. 1. The Committee favor the proposition, for the reason that facilities should be afforded females over eighteen years of age to attend Evening School, if a sufficient number express a wish therefor. The Trustees have stated such to be the fact, and allege as and for their reason that there are but three Senior Evening Schools for Females in the city—No. 21, in Marion street; No. 45, in West Twenty-fourth street; and No. 59, in East Fifty-seventh street, all of which are at long distances from the Seventeenth Ward.

The Committee, therefore, deem it advisable that a Senior school should be established in the Seventeenth Ward, and that it should be located in Grammar School No. 79.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption:

Resolved, That the School Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to organize a Senior Evening School for Females in Grammar School building

No. 79, and that section 101 of the Manual be amended by adding to the list of Female Schools for Seniors "Grammar School No. 79, Seventeenth Ward."

FERDINAND TRAUD,	}	<i>Committee on Evening Schools.</i>
CHARLES CRARY,		
W. J. WELCH,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		
HENRY SCHMITT,		

Commissioner SCHMITT asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, and Commissioners Crary, Devoe, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—16.

Commissioner TRAUD presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, submitting the usual resolution, regulating the number of assistant teachers to be employed in the registration and classification of pupils applying for admission to the Evening Schools :

Resolved, That an assistant teacher, to assist the Principal in the registration and classification of pupils, be allowed for two weeks in each Evening School where the registry for the two weeks previous to the commencement of the session is over 300 and less than 500 ; and that in all cases where the registry is 500 and over, two assistant teachers be allowed for that purpose ; said teachers to be paid the salary prescribed for teachers in the Evening Schools.

FERDINAND TRAUD,	}	<i>Committee on Evening Schools.</i>
CHARLES CRARY,		
HENRY SCHMITT,		
W. J. WELCH,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner WOOD presented a report from the Committee on Normal College, relative to repairs, &c., to the railing, coping and sidewalks, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Committee on Normal College respectfully report :

That on December 3, 1884 (Journal, p. 941), the Board authorized the Committee to advertise for proposals for altering, &c., the sidewalks, iron railing, granite coping, &c., around the Normal College buildings.

In pursuance of said authority, your Committee advertised for proposals for doing said work, and in response thereto five bids were received, the lowest being for \$7,900, which was accepted by your Committee, and a report made to the Board, December 30, 1884 (Journal, p. 1016), asking for an appropriation of that amount. On the same date, two-thirds of the members of the Board refusing to vote for the same, the report was defeated.

Subsequently, the Board having in view the necessity for this work (Journal, pp. 1020 and 1027), made provision for having the work done in 1885, by the adoption of a resolution setting apart the balance of the fund of 1884, for several purposes, among which is the item "for altering, etc., iron railing, granite coping and flagging around the Normal College buildings."

The Committee again, May 6, 1885 (Journal, pp. 317, 318), endeavored to secure an appropriation of \$7,900 for doing the work, and the Finance Committee on June 3 (Journal, pp. 383, 384), reported the financial ability of the Board to make such appropriation from the funds of 1884, and submitted a resolution to that effect, but the report was ruled out of order, for the reason that the same request having been denied December 30, 1884, could not be reconsidered at this late date.

The Committee in their report presented May 6th (Journal, p. 317), called the attention of the Board to the necessity for doing this work, the sidewalks and street curb having been complained of by the Captain of the Twenty-eighth Police Precinct as being unsafe and dangerous.

It is absolutely necessary that these alterations, &c., should be made, and with the view to having such work completed before the opening of the College, in September next, the Committee respectfully ask for authority to advertise for proposals for doing the same, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the Committee on Normal College be, and they hereby are authorized to readvertise in the *City Record* for two weeks, for proposals for altering, &c., the iron railing, granite coping and flagging around the Normal College buildings. Plans and specifications to be prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the Committee on Normal College.

WILLIAM WOOD,	} Committee
J. EDWARD SIMMONS,	
G. SCHWAB,	
	on Normal
	College.

Commissioner WOOD asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

Commissioner DEVOE moved that the resolution be amended, so as to provide for relaying the flagging and resetting the curb-stones, the expense to be paid from the incidental expense account of the Normal College.

Which was lost.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crary, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Traud, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—13.

Nayes—The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, and Commissioners Devoe and Tamsen—3.

Commissioner SIMMONS presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, dismissing the charges against Moses L. Phillips, Trustee of the Eleventh Ward, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

In the matter of the charges preferred by George B. Riggins against Moses L. Phillips, a School Trustee of the Eleventh Ward, the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications respectfully report :

That they have held three meetings, at which this subject was considered; that they have examined several witnesses under oath; that the testimony was taken by a stenographer, and that the complainant and accused were present.

From the facts thus elicited, your Committee have come to the conclusion that the charges as set forth in the complaint have not been sustained.

In regard to the first charge, it appears that in a private conversation which took place between Miss Fiske (Principal), Inspector Blumenthal, and Trustees Cregar and Phillips, on the 28th January, in the main room of school No. 71, on the occasion of a reception, and after the pupils had been dismissed to their class-rooms, the subject of religious belief was introduced by Miss Fiske, and after some conversation, Mr. Phillips was questioned directly and pointedly as to his views. His reply was to the effect that he held opinions usually described as agnostic. No such language was used as stated in the charge of Mr. Riggins.

In regard to the second charge, that Mr. Phillips kept a gambling-house at 224 Seventh street. The facts appear to be as follows: Mr. Phillips, for a short time in 1881, was the proprietor of a lager bier saloon at the above number. In the rear of his saloon an apartment was fitted up where games of chance at cards for small stakes were occasionally played. Pool and billiard playing, but not for money, were also allowed. On one occasion, while Mr. Phillips was engaged in playing cards with a few visitors, he was arrested by two detectives and taken before a police magistrate with the gambling outfit, consisting of cards, a small amount of money, and other things. He was held to bail, but no indictment was found against him, and the money was finally returned to him. This occurrence took place about three years before his appointment as Trustee.

The Committee were in grave doubt as to their jurisdiction to examine into matters which happened before Mr. Phillips was appointed a school officer, and also as to whether the complaint was properly before the Board as prescribed in subdivision 11, section 1027 of the Act of Consolidation of 1882 (Manual, p. 19). It was decided, however, to make an investigation, the result of which has just been briefly stated.

Whatever bearing the foregoing facts might have had upon the selection of Mr. Phillips as Trustee, had they been known to this Board at the time, the Committee is of the opinion that the charges made by the complainant have not been proven, and they therefore recommend the Board to dismiss the same.

The following resolution is recommended :

Resolved, That the charges made to this Board by George B. Riggins against Moses L. Phillips, a School Trustee for the Eleventh Ward, be and the same are hereby dismissed.

Respectfully submitted,

J. EDWARD SIMMONS,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, &c.</i>
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		

June 17, 1885.

Laid over under the rule.

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, making award of the contract for constructing fire alarms to Pearce & Jones, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Committee on Buildings, in compliance with the authority conferred on them by the Board February 18 (Journal, pp. 95, 135), caused the following advertisement to be inserted in the *City Record* for two weeks, soliciting proposals for con-

necting the public school buildings with the Fire Department
by the Fire Alarm Telegraph System:

SEALED PROPOSALS will be received at the Hall of the Board of Education, corner of Grand and Elm streets, by the Committee on Buildings of said Board until the 15th day of June, 1885, and until 4 o'clock P. M. on said day, for furnishing Poles, Cables, Wires, Signal Boxes, etc., etc., for the purpose of connecting the various buildings under the control of said Board by means of a Fire Alarm Telegraph System, with the headquarters of the Fire Department Telegraph, at No. 157 Mercer street; all as described and set forth in the specification, and as shown by the drawings and samples exhibited.

Drawings, maps, samples and specification may be seen at the office of the "Superintendent of the Fire Alarm Telegraph," No. 71 Mercer street, third floor, and blanks for proposals can be obtained at the office of the Superintendent of School Buildings, No. 146 Grand street, third floor.

The party submitting a proposal, and the parties proposing to become sureties, must each write his name, place of residence, and place of business on said proposal.

Two responsible and approved sureties, residents of this city, are required in all cases.

No proposal will be considered from persons whose character or antecedent dealings with the Board of Education render their responsibility doubtful.

The Committee reserves the right to reject any or all of the proposals submitted.

FREDERICK W. DEVOE,
ROBERT M. GALLAWAY,
EUGENE H. POMEROY,
GUSTAV SCHWAB,
DAVID WETMORE,

} Committee
on
Buildings.

Dated New York, May 29, 1885.

In response to said advertisement, the following proposals were received :

No. 1, The Gamewell Fire Alarm Telegraph Company, \$16,500	
For submarine cable across Harlem River	
at Second avenue	38c. per lineal foot.
For submarine cable across Harlem River	
at Randall's Island	39c. " " "
For submarine cable from Randall's Island	
to Ward's Island	40c. " " "
No. 2, Western Electric Company	\$19,750
No. 3, Pearce & Jones	\$15,750
Submarine cable across Harlem River at	
Second avenue	50c. per lineal foot.

Submarine cable across Harlem River to

Randall's Island 50c. per lineal foot.

Submarine cable from Randall's Island to

Ward's Island 50c. " " "

The Committee, after making inquiry as to the responsibility and capability of Pearce & Jones, the lowest bidders, to do this work, have awarded the contract to them for the price stated, \$15,750, reserving for future consideration the proposals for submarine cables.

The sum of \$16,000 was apportioned by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for doing this work.

The Committee respectfully submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the Committee on Buildings be and hereby are authorized to enter into a contract with Pearce & Jones for connecting the school buildings with the telegraph system of the Fire Department, for the sum of fifteen thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$15,750), to be paid from the sum apportioned by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment "For connecting the Public School Buildings with the Fire and Police Electric Alarm."

But no part of said money to be paid until the Committee on Buildings shall have duly filed the contract to be entered into by them with Pearce & Jones, together with satisfactory sureties for the faithful performance of the same.

Respectfully submitted,

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
G. SCHWAB,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		

June 17, 1885.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward to hire the premises Nos. 15

and 17 East Third street, occupied by Primary School No. 6 for one year from May 1, 1885, at the annual rent of \$1,500; stating, that the School has occupied these premises for more than a year without leasing the same, the Trustees having refused to make application to rehire until the present time. Notwithstanding the fact that no lease of the premises has been executed, the Board has been compelled to pay the rent of the same as it became due, for the reason that the school was continued therein.

The Committee recommend that, inasmuch as the premises are required for P. S. No. 6, that the application be granted, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the School Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward be, and they hereby are, authorized to hire the premises Nos. 15 and 17 East Third street, occupied by Primary School No. 6, for one year from May 1, 1885, at an annual rent of fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500).

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
G. SCHWAB,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner SCHWAB presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, in the matter of the application of M. B. Stafford, to place a ventilating apparatus in Primary School No. 11, at a cost of \$2,360; stating that, in the opinion of the Committee, the application should be denied, the Board having no money at its disposal for such purposes.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the application of M. B. Stafford to place a ventilating apparatus in Primary School No. 11 be, and the same is hereby denied.

GUSTAV SCHWAB,	}	<i>Committee on Warming and Ventilation.</i>
F. W. DEVOE,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		
W. J. WELCH,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner SCHWAB presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, stating that the Engineer of the Board reports that it will require an expenditure of \$10,000 to improve the sanitary condition of the several school buildings under the control of this Board.

By a judicious expenditure of this money in sums not exceeding \$200 for any one job, the sanitary condition of the schools will be improved, and the cause of complaint in this respect, to a large extent, be removed.

The Committee recommend that this sum be appropriated for the purpose named, to be expended under the direction of the Committee, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for improving the sanitary condition of the several school buildings, to be expended under the direction of the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, in sums not exceeding two hundred dollars (\$200), upon application for the same being made by Trustees to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation. The bills to be paid on the approval of the Trustees of the several Wards, the Engineer of the Board of Education, and the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

GUSTAV SCHWAB,	}	<i>Committee on Warming and Ventilation.</i>
F. W. DEVOE,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		
HENRY SCHMITT,		
W. J. WELCH,		

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner SCHWAB presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation in the matter of the bill of James Curran for extra work done in connection with his contract for placing a heating apparatus in the addition to Grammar School No. 33, amounting to \$40; stating, that the work represented by this bill was necessary, and done by agreement with the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, and Superintendent of School Buildings, under the provisions of the contract.

The charges are reasonable and as agreed upon.

The Committee recommend that the bill be paid, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the sum of forty dollars (\$40) be, and the same is hereby appropriated in payment of the bill of James Curran for extra work done in connection with his contract duly authorized for steam heating apparatus, placed in the addition to Grammar School building No. 33. The bill to be paid in accordance with the rules of this Board governing payments.

GUSTAV SCHWAB,
F. W. DEVOE,
R. M. GALLAWAY,
HENRY SCHMITT,
W. J. WELOH,

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*Committee on
Warming and
Ventilation.*

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom were referred applications from Trustees, to excuse the absence of teachers, with full pay ; stating, that the cause of absence in each case reported herein is personal illness.

A statement is submitted, showing the record of each applicant for the past five years.

The Committee recommend that the absences be excused, with full pay, for the time stated in the column "Time allowed," in the following resolution, which is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the following named teachers be excused for absence, with full pay, for the " Time allowed " herein :

WARD.	School.	Name.	Time Allowed.	Years of Service.	Instruction.	Discipline.	No. Days Lost.	Exc. with full pay.
4th.	M. D. 1.	Rose J. Kelly.....	7 d. May....	16	{ Good...3 y. Good.1 y. Ex.....2y.Ex....4y. }		28	16 d.
6th.	M. D. 23.	Mary A. O'Donnell....	18 d. May....	15	{ Good...2 y..... Ex.....3 y.Ex..... }		4	.....
	M. D. 23.	Louise M. Baurens....	12 d. May....	19	{ Good...2 y..... Ex.....3 y.Ex..... }		30	25 d.
7th.	M. D. 2.	Mary L. McAuley.....	8 d. May....	26	Ex.....Ex.....		31	19½ d.
8th.	P. D. 33.	Mary E. Brown.....	12 d. May....	5	Ex.....Ex.....		28	.....
	M. D. 8.	John T. Maguire.....	2 d. May....	16	Management Excellent..		31	.....
	F. D. 33.	Frances C. Church.....	4 d. May....	34	{ Management. Good...1 y.Ex....4 y. }		9	7 d.

WARD.	School.	Name.	Time Allowed.	Years of Service.	Instruction.	Discipline.	No. Days Lost.	Exc. with full pay.
	M. D. 38.	Maggie Garvin.....	19 d. May....	17	{ Good... 2 y. Ex.... 3 y. Ex..... }		70	34 d.
	P. D. 38.	Grace Cook.....	19 d. May....	14	{ Good... 1 y. Ex.... 4 y. Ex..... }		11	1 d.
9th.	F. D. 2.	Eugenia Mayereau.....	11 d. May....	21	Ex..... Ex.....		34	.....
10th.	F. D. 7.	Ellen L. Chapman.....	5 d. May....	35	{ Good... 2 y. Ex.... 3 y. Ex..... }		67	12 d.
	F. D. 7.	Sarah Price.....	16 d. May....	20	Ex..... Ex.....		63	43 d.
	F. D. 20.	Ida F. Petersen.....	11 d. May....	18	{ Good... 1 y. Ex.... 4 y. Ex..... }		12	.....
	F. D. 42.	Caroline H. Hopkins....	21 d. May....	36	{ Management. Ex.... 4 y. Good.. 1 y. }		112	34 d.
	P. D. 42.	Ellis F. Carey.....	21 d. May....	7	Ex..... Ex.....		16	10½ d.
	P. D. 42.	Mary A. Lyell.....	13 d. May....	9	Ex..... Ex.....		40	.....
	P. D. 42.	Nellie L. Mernin.....	7½ d. May....	8	{ Good... 1 y. Ex.... 3 y. Ex.... 4 y. }	Not employed... 1 y.	12	.....
11th.	M. D. 22.	Josephine Donchue....	9 d. May....	13	{ Good... 2 y. Ex.... 3 y. Ex..... }		30	37 d.
12th.	P. D. 57.	Charlotte H. Stearns. { 13 d. May.... 5 d. June.... }		26	Management Excellent..		66	66 d.
	P. D. 78.	Annie T. Smart....	14 d. May....	6	{ Ex.... 1 y. Good... 1 y. Ex.... 2 y. }	Not examined... 3 y.	34	19 d.
	M. D. 37.	Frances A. Strang.....	1 d. Feb....	17	{ Ex.... 2 y. Ex.... 2 y. }	Gen'l Assistant... 3 y.	15	.....
13th.	F. D. 4.	Emeline F. Garvie.....	16 d. May....	15	Ex..... Ex.....		6	1 d.
	P. D. 34.	Mary A. Thompson....	12 d. April....	14	{ Good... 1 y. Ex.... 3 y. Ex.... 4 y. }	Not examined... 1 y.	44	6 d.
16th.	P. D. 35.	Mary H. Lynch.....	4 d. 5½ h. May	16	{ Ex.... 3 y. Ex.... 3 y. }	Gen'l Assistant... 2 y.	3	.....
16th.	F. D. 45.	Anna E. Pierson.....	16 d. May....	34	Ex..... Ex.....		13	2 d.
	P. D. 56.	Louisa Vandervoort....	2 d. May....	21	Ex..... Ex.....		25	12 d.
17th.	P. D. 13.	Mary Reynolds.....	{ 20 d. March. 19 d. April.... 17 d. May.... }	12	Ex..... Ex.....		17	7 d.
	P. D. 19.	Alice A. Buckbee.....	4 d. May....	12	{ Good... 2 y. Good.. 1 y. }	Ex.... 3 y. Ex.... 4 y.	42	30 d.
	F. D. 25.	Carrie E. Cox.....	4 d. May....	19	{ Good... 1 y. Ex.... 4 y. Ex..... }		63	30½ d.
	F. D. 25.	Fannie Funston.....	½ d. May....	24	{ Good... 1 y. Ex.... 4 y. Ex..... }		112	47 d.
19th.	M. D. 19.	G. A. Levie.....	1 d. May....	10	Ex..... Ex.....		30	7½ d.
	M. D. 27.	Bertha Adler.....	13 d. May....	7	{ Good... 1 y. Ex.... 4 y. Ex..... }		63	21 d.
	M. D. 74.	Rufina A. Oregin.....	23 d. May....	7	{ Good... 2 y. Good.. 2 y. }	Ex.... 3 y. Ex.... 3 y.	45	.....
	M. D. 77.	M. A. Cowhey.....	23 d. May....	15	Ex..... Ex.....		64	12 d.
20th.	M. D. 26.	Wm. H. Van Cott.....	1 d. May....	14	{ Good... 3 y. Ex.... 2 y. Ex..... }		9	3½ d.
	P. D. 32.	Kate P. Brown.....	1 d. May....	31	Management Excellent.		69	69 d.
	P. D. 48.	Mary O'Kearney.....	3 d. May....	7	Ex..... Ex.....		45	1 d.
22d.	M. D. 51.	Emma A. Currie.....	3½ d. May....	17	{ Good... 4 y. Ex.... 1 y. Ex..... }		4	.....
	P. D. 58.	Sarah Greer.....	19 d. May....	8	Ex..... Ex.....		26	.....
	M. D. 69.	A. T. Shaufler.....	2½ d. May....	14	{ Good... 1 y. Ex.... 4 y. Ex..... }		26
23d.	P. D. 62.	Sara M. Reina.....	11 d. May....	23	Management Excellent..		16	6 d.

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23d.	P. D. 62.	Nellie E. Sinclair.....	22 d. June....	18	{ Ex.....4 y..... Good....1 y.Ex..... }		45	33 d.
	P. S 33.	Hattie E. Hall.....	21 d. June....	28	Ex.....Ex.....		85	42 d.
	G. D.60.	Nellie McL. Thomson...	9 d. May....	26	{ Ex.....4 y..... Good....1 y.Ex..... }		84	43 d.

EUGENE H. POMEROY,
DAVID WETMORE,
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,
WILLIAM WOOD,

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Committee
on
Teachers.

Commissioner POMEROY asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, and Commissioners Crary, Devoe, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—16.

Commissioner WOOD presented a report from the Committee on Normal College; relative to non-resident pupils, as follows :

To the Board of Education:

The Committee on Normal College to whom was referred the following resolution of Commissioner SCHMITT, May 6 :

“ *Resolved*, That the Committee on Normal College investigate and report to this Board the number of students attending the College at the opening of the present term, and the number attending during April, 1885, who were not actual residents of the City of New York within the meaning of the law, and how many of said students attended in September last the first year’s course, and how many attended said course during April, 1885 : ”

Respectfully report, that they referred the matter to President Hunter, who presented the following report :

“ The number of non-resident students, September 15, 1884,

was 39 ; namely, 11 in the Senior Class, 10 in the Junior Class, 14 in the Sophomore Class, and 4 in the Introductory Class.

“ The number Feb. 1, 1885, was 43 ; namely, 10 in the Senior class, 11 in the Junior, 17 in the Sophomore, and 5 in the Introductory.

“ The number April 30, 1885, was 50 ; namely, 10 in the Senior, 14 in the Junior, 18 in the Sophomore, and 8 in the Introductory.

“ The 10 non-residents in the Senior Class have just graduated, which reduces the number to 40.

“ In no case has a non-resident been admitted into the College ; but the Committee has sanctioned the retention of those students who changed their residences to another county after their admission to the College.”

The Committee, on May 4, with the view to prohibiting the retention in the College, of non-residents, adopted the following resolutions :

Resolved, That hereafter, when a student of the Normal College changes her residence, so as to become a non-resident of the City of New York, the President shall immediately strike her name from the roll of the College, and shall declare her place forfeited.

Resolved, That the President of the Normal College be directed to inform the students, that the Counsel to the Corporation has decided that the residence of the parent or guardian is the legal residence of the child, when a child is a minor.

The Committee respectfully submit the above statements in answer to the resolution of Commissioner SCHMITT.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM WOOD,	}	<i>Committee on Normal College.</i>
J. EDWARD SIMMONS,		
GUSTAV SCHWAB,		

June 17, 1885.

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner WOOD presented a report from the Committee

on Normal College, stating, that in compliance with the authority given them by the resolution adopted May 20 (Jour., p. 345), they advertised in the *City Record* for two weeks, for repairing, painting, &c., the Normal College buildings. In response to such advertisement ten proposals were received, viz., \$5,037 ; \$4,800 ; \$3,273 ; \$3,253 ; \$3,193 ; \$3,100 ; \$3,046 ; \$2,995 ; \$2,793 and \$2,500.

The lowest bid, \$2,500, submitted by G. & R. Hutson, was accepted by the Committee, and as the expense is to be paid from the Incidental Expense Account of the Normal College, the Committee ask for authority to execute a contract for doing the work, and submit a resolution for adoption :

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Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, relative to the complaint against Mrs. J. J. Hill, Principal of P. D. G. S. No. 74, as follows :

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J. EDWARD SIMMONS,		
G. SCHWAB,		

Commissioner Wood asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

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Ayes—The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, and Commissioners Crary, Devoe, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—16.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, relative to the complaint against Mrs. J. J. Hill, Principal of P. D. G. S. No. 74, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Committee on Teachers, to which was referred the complaint of Mrs. Anna J. Henderson in relation to the ill-treatment of her daughter Mamie, a child six years old, and the suspension of the latter from Primary Department G. S. No. 74, respectfully report :

At the request of the Committee, the City Superintendent made a personal investigation of the matter and reported the result to the Committee. He took the statements of various persons in writing in the presence of Mrs. Hill, the Principal of the Department, except in two unimportant instances, and in those cases the statements were communicated to her.

Mrs. Hill appeared personally before the Committee, together with Trustees Kelly and Chambers of the Nineteenth Ward, and made a full statement.

The charges of Mrs. Henderson are very serious. Her child is alleged to have suffered extreme and cruel personal violence from Miss Freit and Miss Jones, Assistant Teachers, and also from Mrs. Hill, on several occasions. All three deny the charge. No proof whatever was offered to show that Mrs. Hill ever struck the child.

The Committee is bound to say that the charge of physical ill-treatment is not sustained by the evidence.

It appears, however, that on March 10, 1885, Mrs. Hill dismissed Mamie Henderson from school for continued disobedience and intractable and rebellious conduct. The child was six years old, and seemed quite like other children of the same age.

The Committee does not understand how the severe penalty of expulsion can become necessary, under any circumstances, in case of a little girl six years old. The City Superintendent says no such case is on record. Doubtless, the child was troublesome. So are many other children now in our schools, concerning whom no complaint is ever heard. It is to educate troublesome children that schools are built and principals and teachers are paid salaries.

The child was in the hands of new and inexperienced teachers. When, for a short time, a skillful teacher had the class, there

as no trouble. It seems to the Committee that Mrs. Hill did not exert herself sufficiently to remedy the difficulty, but let the matter drift without taking pains to set it right. The child was at the school from September until March, during which time Mrs. Henderson was sent for but twice, and then because the little girl was not punctual. She was notified that the child was disorderly, but never received any warning that the child's conduct was such as to make dismissal necessary. Other complaints against Mrs. Hill came incidentally before the Committee upon considering this matter. They were controversies between the parents of children attending the school and Mrs. Hill. The Committee thinks it useless to attempt to settle these disputes. That they have occurred, and that the parties could not agree, is sufficiently unfortunate.

We believe that the Board should express its conviction that Mrs. Hill was to blame for dismissing Mamie Henderson, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That Mrs. Joanna J. Hill's action in dismissing Mamie Henderson from school for intractable and rebellious conduct is disapproved by this Board, and Mrs. Hill is hereby censured for such action.

Respectfully submitted,

EUGENE H. POMEROY,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
DAVID WETMORE,		
For presentation,		
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		
WILLIAM WOOD,	}	

June 17, 1885.

Laid over under the rule.

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, relative to the consolidation of schools, as follows :

to the Board of Education :

The Committee on Teachers, to which was referred the reso-

lution of Commissioner Schmitt, printed on page 241, Journal of 1885, directing that the Committee on Teachers, before reporting on any further nominations for principals, submit to this Board their plan of consolidation and the number of schools which remain or are intended to be consolidated, respectfully report :

That immediately after this resolution was referred, the City Superintendent was requested to state his views on the subject, fully and in writing, to the Committee.

As soon as his duties permitted, the City Superintendent submitted an exhaustive report, which has been carefully considered and discussed by the Committee at several meetings.

Some of the suggestions contained in the report are a repetition of the report made by the City Superintendent in 1884. Others are new, but were made by him because circumstances have occurred during the past year which render changes practicable now, which were not so at the date of the previous report.

The Committee has not concurred in all the recommendations of the City Superintendent, because it thinks that in some cases the time has not come to carry them into effect and that in other cases the recommendations are not expedient.

The Committee is agreed upon the following proposed changes, which are stated in the order in which it thinks they should be acted on by the Board :

We recommend :

First.—The closing of Male Department No. 5 in the Fourteenth Ward, and the transfer of the pupils therein to Male Department No. 21, and the teachers, so far as practicable.

Second.—Discontinue Primary School No. 6 in the Seventeenth Ward, on the completion of Grammar School Building No. 79, and transfer the pupils to the Primary Department No. 79, and the teachers, so far as practicable.

Third.—Discontinue Primary School No. 48 in the Twenty-

fourth Ward, and organize the discontinued school as a Branch to Primary School No. 47.

Fourth.—Discontinue Primary School No. 30, on Ward's Island, Twelfth Ward.

Fifth.—Discontinue Primary School No. 33 in the Twenty-third Ward, and organize the discontinued School as a Branch of Primary School No. 44.

Sixth.—Discontinue Female Department Grammar School No. 21 in the Fourteenth Ward, and transfer the pupils to Female Department No. 30, and the teachers, so far as practicable.

Seventh.—Discontinue Male Department Grammar School No. 8 in the Eighth Ward, and transfer the pupils to Male Department No. 38, and teachers, so far as practicable.

Eighth.—Discontinue Female Department No. 8, and transfer the pupils to Female Department No. 38, and teachers, so far as practicable.

Ninth.—Hire suitable premises temporarily for the Primary Department of Grammar School No. 8, and the premises of Grammar School No. 8, on Grand street, be sold, and the purchase money devoted to building a school house on King street site.

Tenth.—Upon the organization of a new school in King street, Primary Department No. 8 and Primary School No. 25 be discontinued, and pupils be transferred thereto, and teachers, so far as practicable.

Eleventh.—Discontinue Primary School No. 2, in the Sixth Ward, and transfer the pupils to Primary School No. 8 and Primary Department No. 23, and teachers so far as practicable, when the building of P. S. No. 8 shall have been altered, and Principal of P. S. No. 2 shall have been cared for.

Twelfth.—In Grammar School No. 29, First Ward, place all the boys of Grammar and Primary grades under charge of the Male Principal and all the girls of Grammar and

Primary grades under charge of the Female Grammar Principal.

Discontinue the Primary Department of No. 29 when the Principal can be cared for.

Thirteenth.—It is proposed to close P. S. No. 18, in the Ninth Ward. But consolidation is not deemed expedient at the present time, but will be taken up when circumstances render it feasible.

The City Superintendent recommended the discontinuance of Primary School No. 18 upon certain conditions, but the Committee is of the opinion that this change is not feasible at the present time, for reasons in which, we are at liberty to state, the City Superintendent concurs.

We present this report in compliance with the resolution offered by Commissioner Schmitt, but desire to add a word expressing generally an important qualification to the completeness of any plan of consolidation.

It is in the nature of the subject that from time to time circumstances may occur rendering consolidation proper and feasible in cases where, previously, consolidation may have been out of the question. Any plan can only be for the present and for the immediate future.

So with the plan presented in this report. We have stated all the cases we know of where we think consolidation will be beneficial to the pupils of the schools. And yet it may be that within a year from now, more or less, events may occur which may make it necessary to propose new changes requiring additional consolidation.

We make this report not merely or chiefly for the sake of saving money. This advantage we regard as incidental only. The important result to be reached by consolidating small schools is the better classification and grading of the scholars, and in consequence, their more efficient instruction.

We recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That the Male Department of Grammar School No. 5, in the Fourteenth Ward, be discontinued, and the pupils,

and teachers so far as practicable, be transferred to the Male Department of Grammar School No. 21.

2. *Resolved*, That upon the completion of Grammar School Building No. 79, in the Seventeenth Ward, Primary School No. 6 be discontinued, and the pupils, and teachers so far as practicable, of P. S. No. 6 be transferred to the Primary Department of No. 79.
3. *Resolved*, That Primary School No. 48 be discontinued, and the school be reorganized as a Branch to Primary School No. 47.
4. *Resolved*, That Primary School No. 30, on Ward's Island, Twelfth Ward, be discontinued.
5. *Resolved*, That Primary School No. 33, in the Twenty-third Ward, be discontinued, and the school be reorganized as a Branch of Primary School No. 44.
6. *Resolved*, That the Female Department of Grammar School No. 21, in the Fourteenth Ward, be discontinued, and the pupils, and teachers so far as practicable, be transferred to Female Department Grammar School No. 30.
7. *Resolved*, That the Male Department of Grammar School No. 8, in the Eighth Ward, be discontinued, and the pupils, and teachers so far as practicable, be transferred to Male Department No. 38.
8. *Resolved*, That the Female Department of Grammar School No. 8, be discontinued, and the pupils, and teachers so far as practicable, be transferred to Female Department Grammar School No. 38.
9. *Resolved*, That suitable premises be hired temporarily, for Primary Department Grammar School No. 8, in the Eighth Ward, until the erection of a building on the site on King street, and that the building and premises of Grammar School No. 8 be sold, and the purchase money devoted to the erection of a Grammar School building on the site in King street.
10. *Resolved*, That upon the organization of a new school in

King street, Primary Department of Grammar School No. 8, and Primary School No. 25, be discontinued, and the pupils, and teachers so far as practicable, be transferred thereto.

11. *Resolved*, That Primary School No. 2, in the Sixth Ward, be discontinued, and the pupils, and teachers so far as practicable, be transferred to Primary School No. 8, and Primary Department Grammar School No. 23, when the building of Primary School No. 8 shall have been altered.
12. *Resolved*, That the Primary Department of Grammar School No. 29, be discontinued, when the Principal can be cared for, and that all the Grammar and Primary boys be placed under the care of the Male Department Principal, and all the Grammar and Primary girls be placed under the care of Female Grammar Principal, thereby organizing Grammar School No. 29, with Male and Female mixed departments.

Respectfully submitted,

GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	} Committee on Teachers.
DAVID WETMORE,	
For presentation,	
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	
WILLIAM WOOD,	}

June 17, 1885.

Laid over under the rule.

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, relative to the complaint of C. W. Luyster against Miss Annie M. Hoffman, Principal of F. D. G. S. No. 69, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Committee on Teachers, to which was referred the complaint of Mr. C. W. Luyster against Miss Annie M. Hoffman, Principal of Female Department Grammar School No. 69, respectfully report :

The Committee has investigated this case thoroughly. Mr. Luyster, his daughter, and Miss Hoffman appeared before the committee, together with Miss Clock, the class teacher.

At the request of the Committee, the City Superintendent examined the class of which Mr. Luyster's daughter is a member, carefully, and reported that she is not qualified to be promoted, although her class marks for the last five months have been very high, and although she is now going over the work of the grade for the second time.

So far as Mr. Luyster's charge relates to Miss Hoffman's refusal to promote his daughter, Miss Hoffman is sustained by the facts.

But the Committee disapproves emphatically of Miss Hoffman's rudeness towards Mr. Luyster and his family. Mr. Luyster has been a resident of the Ward for a long time. Another daughter, older than the one concerned in this complaint, attended the school for several years, and a younger daughter is now in the school in a lower class. Miss Hoffman knows the family well. Under these circumstances the Committee has no hesitation in saying that Miss Hoffman's treatment of the matter was not that which the public has a right to expect from the Principal of a female grammar school.

The Committee recommends the following resolution :

Resolved, That Miss Annie M. Hoffman be censured for discourteous conduct toward Mr. C. W. Luyster and members of his family.

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For presentation,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		
WILLIAM WOOD,	}	<i>on</i>
		<i>Teachers.</i>

June 17, 1885.

Laid over under the rule.

Ordered, That said report be entered in full on the minutes.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Com-

mittee of Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twenty-first Ward, and Inspectors of the Sixth District, recommending the removal of Miss Kate A. Fitz Gibbon, Vice Principal of Primary School No. 16, stating that this matter is now before the Board on a report made by this Committee June 3d, and found on pages 390-393 of the Journal, recommending the removal of Miss Fitz Gibbon, on the recommendation of the City Superintendent, for insubordination and incompetency.

The Committee, therefore, ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject, and submit the following resolution for adoption:

Resolved, That the Committee on Teachers be discharged from the further consideration of the recommendation of the Trustees of the Twenty-first Ward and Inspectors of the Sixth District, for the removal of Miss Kate A. Fitz Gibbon, Vice Principal of Primary School No. 16.

EUGENE H. POMEROY,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
DAVID WETMORE,		
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner WOOD presented a report from the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, relative to the study of Physiology and Hygiene, as follows:

To the Board of Education:

The Committee on Course of Study and School Books, to whom was referred the communication of the City Superintendent in relation to the teaching of Physiology and Hygiene, respectfully report:

That the State law requires that the pupils in all the schools under the jurisdiction of the Board of Education shall be instructed in Physiology and Hygiene, with special reference to the effects of alcoholic drinks, stimulants and narcotics upon the human system.

After much deliberation, the Committee have deemed it advisable to require the Principals to present the subject in the form of lectures to their assembled pupils, such lectures to be of about twenty minutes' duration, and to be delivered not less frequently than once a month.

To secure uniformity in the presentation of the subject, it became evident that some general plan should be prepared, and the Committee have, therefore, agreed upon the syllabus of topics, which will be found appended to this report, together with a suggestive outline for lectures.

Your Committee submit for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That it shall be the duty of the Principals of the several Grammar and Primary Schools to deliver to their pupils, at least once a month, lectures upon the subject of Physiology and Hygiene, each lecture to be about twenty minutes in length, and to be in general accordance with the "Syllabus of Topics" which the Committee have prepared.

WILLIAM WOOD,	} Committee on
W. B. WALLACE, M. D.,	
EDWARD J. H. TAMSEN,	
CHARLES CRARY,	
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	
	Course of
	Study, &c.

PHYSIOLOGY AND HYGIENE.

Notes for Lectures (Primary Principals).

(1.) **CLEANLINESS**,—proper food and drink, pure air and proper exercise, are all necessary for good health.

(2.) **THE SKIN**,—effects of alcohol and narcotics upon.

(3.) **FOOD and DRINK**. All things wear when used—wear out when not repaired—body no exception ; what wears it away little by little ; how repaired ; why we are hungry ; what food and drink are changed into ; new blood made every day ; proper kinds of food and drinks ; improper kinds of food and drinks, effects of ; especially of the abuse of alcohol.

(4.) **PURE AIR**—breathing; tobacco; its effects, especially upon the young; cigarettes.

(5.) **THE NERVES**.—How we feel; other senses; nerves soft and thread-like; are most delicate parts of the body; without them the heart would not beat; we could not breathe, nor change food to blood; nor see, hear, taste, nor smell; every act necessary to life depends upon the nerve; easily injured, especially by liquor, tobacco and other narcotics.

PHYSIOLOGY AND HYGIENE.

Notes for the Principals' Lectures to Grammar Schools.

(1.) *Muscles*.—Appearance and uses, effects of alcohol and narcotics upon.

(2.) *Digestion*.—All things wear—if not repaired, wear out—parts of body no exception—why food is necessary, food becomes blood, then flesh, bones, etc. Stages of digestion and assimilation. Indigestion—dyspepsia. Drinks—strong coffee, tea—alcoholic drinks, if used in excess, show that alcohol is a narcotic poison, classed with ether, chloroform, opium, etc.—effects of habitual use of narcotics.

(3.) *Circulation*.—General outline of, effects of alcohol and narcotics upon.

(4.) *Nervous System*.—Two great divisions: First, sympathetic, a net-work of nerves, connect and control vital organs of trunk, not controlled by the will; second, brain, spinal cord and branches, control voluntary muscles and special senses. Nerves, the most delicate of organs, vitally related to all other organs. Injurious effects of stimulants and narcotics, every stage of intoxication, a result of the partial or entire paralysis of parts of the nervous system.

(5.) *The Skin*.—Its parts and its functions, effects of alcohol and narcotics upon.

Other points to which the attention of the children in both Grammar and Primary Departments should be called.

(1.) *Unripe fruit*.—Green apples, etc. *Ripe fruit*—best in the morning.

- (2.) Candy.—Cheap, colored.
- (3.) Exposure to drafts.
- (4.) Study.—Never, immediately after meals.
- (5.) Night air.—Effect of.
- (6.) Play.—In open air better than in house.
- (7.) Ventilation of rooms at home—sleeping rooms.
- (8.) Garbage at home.—Care in relation to, to be burned when possible.
- (9.) Luncheon.—In hot weather bring to school.
- (10.) Hours of sleep.—How many a child needs.
- (11.) Use of the eyes.—Reading by twilight, and in cars, etc.
- (12.) Prevention of sun stroke. Use of ice water.

In general, "Physical Education," as outlined on pages 14 and 15 of the "Teachers' Manual," and pages 70 and 71.

A Suggestive Outline for Lectures on

PHYSIOLOGY AND HYGIENE.

If a little girl lays her hand on any one of the bright, clean, shining mirrors or looking glasses at home, no matter how clean or dry her hand may appear to be, she will see a steam or fog in the glass in a little while ; and, afterwards, a stain. Where did the steam and stain come from ? What are they ? If they were gathered every day, how much would they amount to ? How much would they amount to if the whole of the skin or covering of the body were giving out such things as the hand is represented as giving out ? What would happen to the little girl if they did not come out ? What prevents them from coming out properly ? What is the name given to the little doors through which they came out ? What closes the little doors ? What besides dirt ? (Cold.) What closes and opens the little doors ? (Washing and cleanliness.) What else ? (Heat, perspiration.) Where does the water that comes out of the little doors go to ? (Rises in steam.) What changes water into steam ? (Heat.) Where does the heat come from ? (From the body.) What happens to the body when the heat is taken away from it ? (It gets cold.) Must our bodies have heat in them ? (Yes.) Do you know anything that the heat

of the sun melts in summer? (Ice, butter, fat, etc.) Which of these may be found in the bodies of little children? If there were no heat in our bodies, would this fat flow in the little blood streams that we call veins? If it did not melt and flow but remained hard in lumps and stopped the blood, what would happen us? Then, if too much heat were taken away from our bodies, would it be well?

If we sat in a cold draught when the little doors were open, what would happen probably? (We would perhaps lose too much heat, and lose it too suddenly; fats would get hard, would stop the flow of blood, cause the parts perhaps to die, and would disturb the order of all the organs of our body). From this we can see what the skin is doing for our happiness and comfort; how, with its millions of little doors, it regulates the heat of our bodies. We must watch these little doors, and must keep them open by cleanliness; and we must not expose them to sudden, chilling draughts that may take the heat away too quickly, when they are giving out water or perspiration; for this is how pneumonia, or inflammation of the lungs, and a great many other troubles come.

What is our body; and how does it work; and how is it kept a-going?

Our body is the house in which our spirit, or soul, lives; or it is the grand machine that the soul or spirit is always working, so as to make or do something. How the body is worked is what physiology teaches; and how it is kept up and preserved in its best condition, is what hygiene teaches.

Let us build up the machine. We first make the frame-work. Here it is—the bones, commonly called the skeleton. They must be hard and stiff and strong, to hold up the machine. If they are weak, they will bend, and the machine will not be of the right shape. Some bones must be flat, and must come together so as to form, as it were, boxes for holding and protecting delicate things. The skull is an instance of such formation; it holds the wonderful brain that does all the thinking, and it keeps the brain from all sorts of jars and knocks. Then we must have long, curved beams like the timbers of a ship, which

protect the inside passengers and yet allow them to move and alter their positions occasionally. In the body, these curved beams are the ribs, which protect the heart and the lungs and yet allow them to expand and contract as the air and blood go in and out. Then we want long, straight beams as levers to hold up our machine and to move it along, for our machine goes from place to place. The long levers of the arms, and the short levers of the fingers, are very important; for, by means of them, our machine does the most wonderful things. Now, we want a great number of ropes to pull our levers tight; to hold them in their exact positions; to draw them up and let them go, just as may be necessary. These ropes are the muscles. When a boy is playing on the violin, or a little girl is playing on the piano, or when children are running and jumping, watch the muscles work; see them pull up the arm and foot and let them go again; see them move the fingers too, so easily and quickly that perfection seems to have been attained. Next we want somebody or something to say when these ropes or muscles are to pull up, and to let go, and to bring the orders for that purpose from the office; and so we get telegraph wires, which bring the orders and get the work done more quickly than you can think. These telegraph wires are the nerves that come from the chief office, the brain; and there is nothing in the whole body that they do not direct and govern. If they are out of order, nothing can be done properly; for the right message cannot come from the office, and everything goes wrong.

Everything in the world either wears out or rots out. Very often things rot out more rapidly than they wear out; as, for instance, vessels that have to hold strong acids like aqua-fortis, &c. In like manner, all the parts of this great machine are constantly wearing out, and often, also, are rotting out: and they must constantly be repaired. The beams and the ropes and the telegraph wires—the bones and the muscles and the nerves—and the chief office where the master sits and gives his orders—the brain—all these are to be renewed and repaired and kept in sound condition. In order to do this, we want a whole army of workmen—builders, mechanics, weavers and

laborers—and we must keep these workman supplied with plenty of material in good condition and of the right kind; for, if we do not, they will get into mischief, and will put inferior or improper stuff into the work, and the whole concern will tumble down in ruin.

These workmen and laborers, in countless numbers, are to be found busily engaged in all parts of the body. They are called glands, or constructive (secreting) cells. In the bones, they are making bone; in the muscles, they are making muscle; and in the nerves, nerve-tissue. Next we have to supply them with the materials, and we do this in the following way: We place all the materials in little boats, and float them down along great rivers, until they come to the place where they are wanted. At first, where you have to supply a great deal of material to large cities, as it were, the rivers are large (of course, here reference is made to the chief parts of the machine); but for the little country places, where there are only a few people that do not want much, the smallest streams will do. After all the little boats have given up their loads, and have again been filled—this time with old and useless stuffs—the streams continue their journey, bearing the boats along to the very same region whence they started. On the way home, however, the streams carry the boats through a great many filtering mills. In these mills the boats are cleaned of the old stuff with which they are laden, and they are sent back ready to receive a fresh, pure and useful load for another journey.

In the human body, what does all this mean? The little boats are the globes of red blood, corpuscles, that start from the heart; the great rivers are the arteries that bear these corpuscles to the head and limbs and large organs; and the little streams in country places are the small divisions of the arteries. The capillaries are the places where the workmen are all stationed, and where they pick up from the little boats the new material, and where they fill the little boats with old stuff, after the new material has been taken out; and the veins are the streams returning through other courses and carrying

the boats full of refuse matter ; and the excretory glands and ducts of the kidneys and the skin and the liver are the filtering mills through which the purifying processes are performed.

Thus far we have said nothing about the place where the boats are laden. This, if not the most important department, is certainly the most essential to the proper building and preservation of this wonderful organism. It is of no use to have good workmen to repair your beams and ropes and telegraph wires, if you furnish them with bad material, or if you furnish them with material which is good but which has been improperly prepared. It is often seen that houses badly prepared and put together, or constructed of vile stuff, fall and kill the people who live in them ; and just in the same way, and from the same causes, do we see the dwelling of the human soul totter and fall. The Great Factory, then, where all the materials of the human body are first received and then prepared, should be a place of the greatest interest and the greatest care. Only foolish people do not take this view of the matter ; and, in this respect it would seem that there are more foolish people than wise ones.

This Great Factory has two chief departments : one, the department of the lungs, where it takes in immense quantities of air, and extracts from the air, the life-giving, heat-producing Oxygen ; the other, the stomach and the alimentary tract, where all the substances that make up the tissues and organs of our bodies, are received and prepared. On our best avenues we see that the best materials skillfully arranged give magnificent dwellings : and we see that it is delightful to live in such dwellings, when they receive proper care. On the other hand, in foul places, where only rubbish prepared in a slovenly manner is used, there can be only discomfort, disease and death. So, when you breathe air, it must be pure air, and it must be breathed properly ; and when you eat food it must be good, pure food, and it must be taken regularly, and it must be cooked properly ; otherwise your new house—your body—can neither be handsome nor healthy. Will common clay be as good for a building as cement

is? No ; neither will foul air be as good for you as pure air is : and the air in your room will always be foul, if you keep the doors and windows closed, and the lamps and fires burning, while steams and smells and cooking odors, and, worse than all, the breaths of many other people, are poisoning the air. In selecting materials for some of our best mansions, the greatest care is taken ; the choicest marbles and the most elegant woods are chosen for the purpose ; but in building up the human body, the most magnificent structure of all, too many people, when taking food, imagine that they are merely loading up some monstrous cart. Pickles and vinegar, hot spices and cold ices, sweet sugar and sour physic, greasy dishes, decomposing vegetables, unripe food, rotten fruit, tainted or infected meats, adulterated milk and butter, and millions of other things, piled in together in such quantities and so often, that the stomach cannot contain (much less prepare) them. When these things are not properly prepared for digestion, they decompose, pass into the bowels, generate poisonous gases, irritate the membranes and glands, and inflame them. Thus the membranes and glands can no longer perform their proper functions, and miserable dyspepsia is the result.

If taken in small quantities properly combined, and, especially, if the stomach, like any other tired thing, be permitted to have a rest, all the things that I have mentioned, except unripe or decomposed fruit, may be good ; they can do nothing more than wear the stomach out. There are things, however, that do worse than this. Vicious habits of using any of the stimulants or narcotics, for the sake of stimulation or narcotism, are the greatest of all the misfortunes that can happen a man.

When used for this purpose, certain products become the deadliest enemies of the human race ; among them are alcohol, tobacco and opium ; opium and its preparations, always dangerous, are especially so in unskillful hands. Notwithstanding its controlling power, and its undoubted help in the proper place, it is the opposite of food ; for food builds up, while opium pulls

down and kills. If you want to prolong your life fly as far as you can from opium.

Tobacco is narcotic, stimulating the brain and nerves, but depressing the heart. The adult system becomes tolerant of it to an extraordinary degree ; but no system can long withstand the excessive use of it. The nerves will lose control, and, by degrees, the constitutional vigor will be impaired, while the dangerous exposure to cancer of the lips, etc., should be a warning to all. The proper development of children is hindered by it excessively. Their memories weakened, their comprehension dulled, their strength diminished, their quickness gone, and their temper soured, it is, for them, an enemy to appetite and assimilation.

Alcohol, the most dangerous of all, may be called the serpent amongst poisons. It is much more destructive to the human family than any of the plagues. It dupes and betrays its victim. When he is feeling sick, it makes him feel well for a while ; when he is sad, it begins by making him laugh ; when he is slow and timid, it quickens and emboldens him, gives him fresh ideas, makes him assertive and aggressive, puts color into his cheek and fire into his eye, and gives him wit and fluency of speech, and a buoyancy that raises him above himself. A taste of all this is too great a temptation ; and the desire to be always thus becomes the only dream of life. The web is woven ; the net enfolds its victim. The same harmless drinks no longer bring bright visions ; large and frequent draughts bring on a brutal stupor. Ferocity or a crazed buffoonery comes next. Self-respect and self-control are banished from the domain of reason. The poor, betrayed will is gagged, bound and powerless. The stomach is crisped and parched ; the nerves are uncontrollable ; the kidneys are shriveled ; the face is blotched and disfigured ; the figure is wasted and crooked, and the soul is withered with fear. This is the abuse of alcohol—alcohol, which, if taken habitually in any of its many forms, will as certainly ruin its victim, and fling him into the gutter to be pelted by bad and cruel boys, or into the felon's cell to atone for the life he has destroyed, as it will conceal from him the fact that,

with each friendly and apparently harmless glass, he is binding himself with a yoke that not all the wisdom in the world can lift from off him.

Alcohol, when frequently used, is a poison.

Laid over under the rule.

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

Commissioner WOOD presented a report from the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, submitting amendments to the Course of Study, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Committee on Course of Study and School Books, in compliance with the following resolutions, adopted January 14th and March 18th, respectively :

“ *Resolved*, That the Committee on Course of Study be requested to examine the question of alleged undue pressure upon scholars and teachers in the schools at the present time, and to report upon such facts as they may ascertain bearing on this subject, with their opinion.”

“ *Resolved*, That it be referred to the Committee on Course of Study to determine the advisability of re-arranging the first, second, third and fourth grammar grades, so as to extend the time in which they are taught at least one year, and report to this Board.”

Respectfully report :

That they have carefully examined the subject, and, upon consultation with the City Superintendent, it is the opinion of the Committee, that by amending the course of study so that History of the United States shall be taught, in the second grade, up to the administration of President Buchanan ; in the first grade, from that period up to the present time ; also, by providing that pupils in the first grammar grade shall be required to pursue the studies of that grade for one year, a more acceptable arrangement will be made.

The extension of the time allowed for the completion of the

studies of the first grade will readily permit the introduction of the study of Elementary Geometry, the reasons for which will be found in a report of this Committee, made October 1st, 1884, and found on page 754 of the Journal for that year. The reasons there stated have lost none of their force, and the extension of time in the first grade will remove the objections that were found potent at the time of the consideration of that report.

In order that the scope of the proposed requirements may be properly indicated, the following outline is presented :

1. Three propositions on the equality of triangles, and one on the isosceles triangle.
2. Problems—to bisect a line ; to bisect an angle ; to erect a perpendicular to a line ; to let a perpendicular fall on a line ; to construct a triangle.
3. Three propositions on the parallelism of lines, five on quadrilaterals, the proposition on the square of the hypotenuse and the proposition on the square of the sum of two lines.

The Committee are also of the opinion that, in view of the increased time, it would be an advantage to add to the first grade in Arithmetic the study of square root.

The Committee, therefore, recommend for adoption the following resolutions :

Resolved, That section 151 of the Manual be amended by adding the following subdivision :

13. Time in First Grade. Pupils in the first grade are required to pursue the studies of that grade for one year.

Resolved, That the Course of Study for Grammar Schools prescribed in the Manual of 1885 be amended as follows :

1. In the second grade, paragraph 4, page 254, amend so as to read :

“ 4. History of the United States. To the administration of President Buchanan.”

2. In the first grade, paragraph 4, page 256, amend as follows :

After the words "History of the United States," insert the words, "Completed, with."

3. In the first grade, paragraph 2, page 256, amend as follows :

After the word, "partnership," insert the words, "square root."

4. In the first grade, insert on page 257, after paragraph 6, the following :

"7. Plane Geometry. Fundamental theorems and problems."

WILLIAM WOOD,	}	<i>Committee on Course of Study and School Books.</i>
W. B. WALLACE,		
EDWARD J. H. TAMSEN,		
CHARLES CRARY,		
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		

Laid over under the rule.

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

Commissioner WOOD presented a report from the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, recommending changes in the Teacher's Manual of Instruction, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Committee on Course of Study and School Books respectfully report :

That they have received a communication from the City Superintendent, recommending a change in historic dates required to be taught in the Teacher's Manual of Instruction, also, a suggestive course in Plane Geometry, to be added to said Manual.

The communication of the City Superintendent is attached to and forms part of this report, which the Committee recommend be adopted.

Resolved, That the changes in the course of study prescribed in

the Teachers' Manual of Instruction, as recommended by the City Superintendent, and hereto attached, be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM WOOD,	}	<i>Committee on Course of Study, &c.</i>
W. B. WALLACE,		
EDWARD J. H. TAMSEN,		
CHARLES CRARY,		
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		

June 17, 1885.

To the Committee on Course of Study and School Books :

GENTLEMEN—A careful revision of the Teachers' Manual indicates that the following historic dates might be omitted without detriment :

Page 120 : 1770, 1774, 1777 (1st) ; 1777 (2d) ; 1778, 1779, 1781.

Page 121 : [1776, 1777, 1781] (Art. of Confed.) ; 1781 (After) ;
1786, 1804, 1801–1805, 1807 (Orders in Council),
1807–1809, 1810, June 19.

Page 122 : 1812–1815, 1828, 1837, 1840, May, February.

I would also recommend that the appended propositions be placed in the Teachers' Manual as a suggestive course in Plane Geometry.

Respectfully,

JOHN JASPER,
City Superintendent.

NEW YORK, June 11, 1885.

Two triangles which have two sides and the included angle in the one, equal to two sides and the included angle in the other, each to each, are equal in all respects.

When two triangles have a side and two adjacent angles in the one, equal to a side and two adjacent angles in the other, each to each, the two triangles are equal in all respects.

If two triangles have the three sides of the one equal to the three sides of the other, each to each, the two triangles are equal, and the equal angles are opposite the equal sides.

If two sides of a triangle are equal, the angles opposite to these sides are also equal.

To bisect a given finite straight line.

To bisect a given angle.

From a given point in a given line, to draw a perpendicular to that line.

From a given point without a line, to draw a perpendicular to that line.

To construct a triangle.

If a line intersects two parallel lines, the alternate interior angles are equal.

If a straight line intersects two parallel lines, the sum of the two interior angles on the same side of the intersecting line is equal to two right angles.

If a line intersects two other lines, making the sum of the two interior angles on the same side of the intersecting line equal to two right angles, the two straight lines are parallel.

The opposite sides, and also the opposite angles of any parallelogram, are equal.

If the opposite sides of a quadrilateral are equal, they are also parallel, and the figure is a parallelogram.

Parallelograms on the same base, and between the same parallels, are equivalent, or equal in respect to area or surface.

If a triangle and a parallelogram are upon the same or equal bases, and between the same parallels, the triangle is equivalent to one-half the parallelogram.

The area of a trapezoid is measured by one-half the sum of its parallel sides multiplied by the perpendicular distance between them.

The square described on the hypotenuse of any right-angled triangle is equivalent to the sum of the squares described on the other two sides.

If a line be divided into two parts, the square described on the whole line is equivalent to the sum of the squares described on the two parts, together with twice the rectangle contained by the parts.

Laid over under the rule.

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Commissioner SIMMONS moved that when the Board adjourns, it adjourn to meet on Wednesday, the 24th, at 4 o'clock P. M.
Adopted.

Commissioner CRARY offered the following :

Resolved, That, in conformity with the custom recently adopted by mercantile establishments, as well as the heads of City Departments of this City, in regard to the services of employees thereof on Saturdays, the office of this Board be closed on Saturdays, at 12 M., from the date of the passage of this resolution to the 1st of October next, and that thereafter the offices be closed at 3 P. M. on Saturdays.

Commissioner TRAUD moved that said resolution be referred to the Auditing Committee.

Which was lost.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution offered by Commissioner CRARY, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WALLACE offered the following :

Resolved, That the subject of inquiring into the circumstances under which a fine was imposed on the late John Boyle, Principal Grammar School 74, be referred to the By-Laws Committee, with the view of ascertaining and reporting to this Board whether the said fine may not be remitted and allowed to the family of the deceased Principal, if not inconsistent with the law, or prejudicial to good discipline, on account of the great services rendered by deceased, as Principal and teacher for thirty-five years.

Adopted.

Commissioner SIMMONS offered the following :

Resolved, That the Committee on Teachers be directed to report at the next meeting of the Board on all the nomina-

tions for Principals or Teachers made by the Trustees of Nineteenth Ward, and referred to them by the Board, May 6, 1885.

Commissioner SCHMITT moved to amend the resolution so as to include all nominations in the Nineteenth and Sixth Wards—which was accepted.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution offered by Commissioner SIMMONS, as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Crary, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace and Welch—10.

Nays—The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, and Commissioners Devoe, Holt, Pomeroy, Wetmore and Wood—6.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Commissioner WOOD—

The Board adjourned.

LAWRENCE D. KIERNAN,

Clerk.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24, 1885.

STATED SESSION.

Present—STEPHEN A. WALKER, Esq., President, and Commissioners CRARY, CRAWFORD, DEVOE, GALLAWAY, HOLT, KELLY, PERKINS, POMEROY, SCHMITT, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, SIMMONS, TAMSEN, TRAUD, VERMILYE, WALLACE, WELCH, WETMORE and WOOD—20.

Absent—Commissioner BELL—1.

The PRESIDENT announced for consideration the minutes of the last session, and put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the session held on June 17th, as printed in the Journal, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners CRAWFORD, CRARY, DEVOE, GALLAWAY, HOLT, KELLY, PERKINS, POMEROY, SCHMITT, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, TAMSEN, TRAUD, VERMILYE, WALLACE, WELCH, WETMORE and WOOD—19.

• COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Trustees of the Fourth Ward, making award of the contract for repairing and painting G. S. No. 1, to J. Brown, for \$558, and asking for an appropriation of that amount for said purposes.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Fifth Ward, making award of the

contract for repairing and painting G. S. No. 44, to Mahony Brothers, for \$534, and asking for an appropriation of that amount for said purposes.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, making award of the contract for repairing and painting G. S. building No. 23, to Mahony Brothers, for \$545; and to A. H. Andrews & Co., for furniture for G. S. No. 24, for \$228, and asking for an appropriation of \$773 for said purposes.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, making award of the contract for alteration, &c., G. S. No. 31; and furniture and repairs, G. S. No. 2, G. S. No. 12, G. S. No. 31, and P. S. No. 36, as follows:

Alterations, G. S. No. 31, Frank Mitchell, for \$13,311;

New desks and seats, G. S. No. 2, to Nathaniel Johnson, for \$230;

New furniture and repairs of furniture, G. S. No. 2, to Nathaniel Johnson, for \$127;

New desks and seats for G. S. No. 12, to Nathaniel Johnson, for \$170;

Repairing furniture, &c., G. S. No. 12, to H. J. Fitzpatrick & Co., for \$495;

New desks and seats, for G. S. No. 31, to Nathaniel Johnson, for \$572;

New furniture and repairs of furniture, G. S. No. 31, to H. J. Fitzpatrick & Co., for \$1,950;

And asking for an appropriation of \$17,200 for said purposes.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, making award of contracts for repairs and painting G. S. No. 3, No. 16, No. 41, and new furniture and repairs of furniture, G. S. No. 3 and 41, as follows;

Repairs and painting, G. S. No. 3, J. W. Jones, \$493;

Repairs and painting, G. S. No. 16, J. W. Jones, for \$377;

Repairs and painting, G. S. No. 41, J. W. Jones, \$655 ;
New desks and seats, G. S. No. 3, A. H. Andrews & Co.,
\$310 ;
Mineral case, G. S. No. 3, Nathaniel Johnson, \$50 ;
New desks and seats, G. S. No. 41, to A. H. Andrews & Co.,
\$155 ;
Repairing furniture and work, G. S. 41, to Nathaniel Johnson,
for \$582 ;
And asking for an appropriation of \$2,622, for said purposes.
Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Tenth Ward, awarding contracts
for repairs, etc., in school buildings, as follows :

Repairs and painting, G. S. No. 20, to Edward Gustaveson,
for \$895 ;
Repairs and painting, G. S. No. 42, to Mahony Bros., for
\$290 ;
Repairs and painting, P. S. No. 1, to Wm. Hepburn, for
\$2,325 ;
And asking for an appropriation of \$3,510 for said purposes.
Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, making award of
contracts for repairs and painting in school buildings, as fol-
lows :

Repairs and painting, G. S. No. 36, to Mahony Bros., for
\$967 ;
Repairs and painting, G. S. No. 71, to J. Brown, for \$830 ;
Repairs and painting, P. S. No. 5, to J. Brown, for \$245 ;
And asking for an appropriation of \$2,042 for said purposes.
Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, for authority to
purchase two lots on the north side of West One Hundred and
Twenty-seventh street, adjoining the lot now held by the Board,
for \$6,500 each.

Referred to the Committee on Sites and New Schools.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, to withdraw a former application for sliding doors in G. S. No. 54, and for authority to erect a wing to said building, etc.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, for authority to advertise for proposals for heating apparatus for G. S. No. 83.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking for authority to organize the Male Department of G. S. No. 83, by the transfer of the Male Department of G. S. No. 57, and for the organization of a Female Grammar Department in building No. 57.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From the Trustees of the Fourteenth Ward, asking that so much of the report of the Committee on Evening Schools as refers to Senior Evening School No. 21, be recommitted, and submitting for appointment the name of Miss Catharine C. Connolly, as Principal of said school.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, relative to closets, iron railings and the disuse of rooms on the ground floor of G. S. No. 19.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, nominating teachers for E. S. No. 19.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, to transfer Female Evening School No. 79 to G. S. building No. 13, and Male Evening School No. 13 to G. S. building No. 79, in order that the Evening Schools may be held in the buildings where Male and Female Grammar Schools are held respectively.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, nominating teachers for Female Evening School No. 79.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking authority to advertise for proposals for painting G. S. No. 18.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of teachers.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power conferred by the by-laws.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from Rufus G. Beardslee, Esq., Counsel to the Board, relative to the sale of School House Bonds, as follows :

106 BROADWAY,
June 24, 1885. }

SIR—I have carefully considered the resolution adopted by the Board of Education, on the 17th instant, requesting me to advise the Board as to the proper action to be taken to enable the Comptroller to offer and endeavor to dispose of the balance of the "School House Bonds," in accordance with the amended act passed by the Legislature at its last session, but have not had sufficient time to procure the necessary information to suggest what action, if any, can be taken to accomplish the purpose contemplated by the resolution. I hope, before the next meeting of the Board, to be able to do this.

In the meantime, it may not be out of place for me to refer to what has been done in relation to the said "School House Bonds," and the present position of the matter.

By chapter 458 of the Laws of 1884 (see Journal of 1884, page 521), the Legislature authorized the issue of bonds to the extent of \$2,000,000, during the years 1884, 1885 and 1886, for the purpose of providing school sites, &c., upon the application of

the Board of Education to the Comptroller, and with the approval of a majority of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

In pursuance of this Act the Board of Education applied to the Comptroller, in June, 1884, for the issue of bonds, to the extent of \$1,000,000 (see Journal of 1884, page 594), and the Board of Estimate and Apportionment approved of such issue (page 678), and thereupon the Comptroller advertised, from time to time, as directed by said Act, for proposals therefor, and finally obtained bids for the same to the extent of \$332,000 (page 681). No further bids could be procured on account of the interest on said bonds being restricted, by said Act, to three per centum per annum, and the sale thereof at less than par being thereby prohibited.

The Constitutional Amendment, which went into effect on the 1st day of January, 1885, prohibited the issue of any bonds in excess of ten per centum of the assessed valuation of the real estate of the city, and no further indebtedness was allowed until the existing indebtedness should be reduced within such limit.

By the opinion of the Counsel to the Corporation, given to the Mayor, on the 28th of November, 1884 (see *City Record* of December 1, 1884, page 2937), it appears that the bonded debt of the city, on January 1, 1885, would be \$125,810,579.33, of which the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund held \$35,479,579.33; and that the valuation of the real estate was \$1,119,761,597, ten per centum of which was \$111,976,159.70.

That opinion contains an elaborate discussion as to the bonds held for the Sinking Fund, and concludes that such bonds cannot be deducted in ascertaining the amount of the existing indebtedness, under the provisions of the Constitutional Amendment; and it assumes that if the question is at all doubtful, no bonds would be issued, after January 1, 1885, until the Courts should resolve the doubt.

The Act, chapter 494 of the Laws of 1885 (see Journal of 1885, page 404), amends the Act of 1884 by allowing the said "School House Bonds" to be issued at a rate of interest not exceeding three and one-half per centum per annum, and also so

as to include additions to present school buildings among the purposes for which the proceeds are to be used.

Of course, no practical use can be made of the amendments unless the authority to issue the bonds can be carried into effect, in view of the Constitutional prohibition. The object sought in obtaining them was to have the provisions of the law such as to become available in case of a removal of the prohibition, either by a decision of the Courts, or by legislative cancellation of a sufficient amount of the bonds held for the Sinking Fund, to permit the balance of the School House Bonds to be issued. No law having been passed authorizing the canceling of any of the bonds held for the Sinking Fund, a decision, by the Court of Appeals, seems to be the only remaining remedy, at the present time, to be considered.

Very respectfully, yours, &c.,

R. G. BEARDSLEE.

LAWRENCE D. KIERNAN, Esq.,

Clerk of the Board of Education.

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes.

From Principals of schools, relative to transfers and appointments, in the plan of consolidation, as follows :

NEW YORK, *June 24, 1885.*

To the Honorable the Board of Education :

GENTLEMEN—On behalf of a worthy but unfortunate class of teachers in your employ, we have the honor to present the following memorial :

We say *worthy* teachers, for most of us have both deserved and won your approbation by long, faithful and satisfactory service.

We consider ourselves *unfortunate* on account of the disadvantageous circumstances in which we are placed, as regards the location of our several schools, the crude and scanty material with which we have to work and compete with schools

more favorably situated, and the consequently discouraging prospect before us.

All, or nearly all, of us are teaching in what are commonly known as the "down-town" schools, with whose condition in the way of steadily diminishing attendance you are all familiar, either through an intimate personal observation or by a perusal of the annual statistics.

To our case we ask nothing more than a liberal, equitable and uniform application of "Civil Service" rules in appointment and promotion.

We have lately felt encouraged to believe that your Honorable Board had magnanimously determined to apply the principles of this popular reformatory policy in the protection of such of us as should, through circumstances over which we could exercise no control, be jeopardized in the tenure of office of our respective positions by the closing or consolidation of schools in localities but sparsely populated, for purposes of economy, or a more efficient grading of the schools, as recommended by the City Superintendent.

We most respectfully ask and trust that you will allow no individual claim or interest to cause you to swerve from a just enforcement of such a praiseworthy and public-spirited policy.

Governor Cleveland, two years ago, left unsigned a bill, having the same object in view, on the grounds freely expressed, that he had full confidence in the wisdom and justice of your Honorable Board to carry out such a policy, without legislative interference.

We believe that the community at large are in full sympathy with the justice of our claims.

We are, gentlemen, your obedient servants,

JOHN T. McGUIRE, Principal M. D. G. S. No. 8.

THOMAS G. WILLIAMSON, Principal M. D. G. S. No. 10.

EDWARD J. DELANEY, Principal M. D. G. S. No. 21.

THOMAS S. O'BRIEN, Principal M. D. G. S. No. 29.

(For presentation.)

FRANCES A. POND, Principal F. D. G. S. No. 10.

MARIA J. SWEENEY, Principal F. D. G. S. No. 21.

MARY J. GALLAGHER, Principal F. D. G. S. No. 8.

AMY B. CONKLING, Principal F. D. G. S. No. 29.

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes.

From A. M. Cory, asking that the Universal Chronometer be added to the list of supplies.

Referred to the Committee on Supplies.

From I. P. Chambers, Trustee of the Nineteenth Ward, recommending Miss Nellie Ford for Principal P. D. G. S. No. 82, and the appointment of the new Primary Principal to G. S. No. 27.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From A. S. Barnes & Co., asking that several books be added to the list of supplies.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From M. B. Wright, agent, asking that their blackboard eraser be added to the list of supplies.

Referred to the Committee on Supplies.

REPORTS LAID OVER UNDER THE RULE.

The PRESIDENT announced for consideration the report of the Auditing Committee relative to electric lights for the Evening High School, Journal, pp. 372, 373, 412.

On motion of Commissioner SCHMITT—

Laid over, and to retain its place on the schedule.

THE PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, adverse to paying Mrs. Emmer T. Kilmer for services as acting Principal of F. D. G. S. No. 8, Journal, pp. 389, 415, 416.

On motion of Commissioner SCHMITT—

Laid over, and to retain its place on the schedule.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, recommending the removal of Miss Kate A. FitzGibbon for incompetency and insubordination, Journal, pp. 390–393, 416.

In connection with said report a communication from Miss FitzGibbon was read by the Clerk.

Commissioner SCHMITT offered the following resolution as a substitute for the resolution attached to the report of the Committee :

Resolved, That the City Superintendent fix a time after the second Monday of September for the re-examination of Miss Kate A. FitzGibbon, Vice-Principal of P. S. No. 16.

Resolved, That the charges of incompetency against Miss Kate A. FitzGibbon, Vice-Principal of P. S. No. 16, be and the same are hereby dismissed.

The PRESIDENT decided that the second resolution was out of order.

Commissioner WOOD moved as a substitute for the first resolution, that the report be recommitted.

Which was adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Auditing Committee, relative to a bill for gas consumed in G. S. building No. 65, for December, 1884, Journal, pp. 419, 420.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Evening Schools, appointing instructors for the Evening High School, Journal, pp. 425, 426.

Commissioner TAMSEN called for a division of the question, and moved that the question be put on all the names except those of Edward A. Page and John Harmon.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Holt, Schmitt,

Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Vermilye, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—11.

Nays—Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schwab and Welch—8.

The PRESIDENT announced the question to be on the adoption of the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, except as to the names of Edward A. Page and John Harmon.

Commissioner VERMILYE moved that the report be recommitted, to be amended in accordance with the by-laws.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Evening Schools, appointing teachers for the Evening Schools, Journal, pp. 426–432.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the first resolution attached to the report of the Committee, found on pages 427 to 432, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—18.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the second resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Evening Schools, recommending the closing of E. S. Nos. 29 and 81, Journal, p. 432.

The PRESIDENT announced that the question would be taken on so much of the resolution as relates to the discontinuance of the schools named, the latter clause being a question of amending the by-laws.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt so much of the resolution attached to the report of the Committee as relates to the closing of Evening Schools

Nos. 29 and 81, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—17.

So much as relates to by-laws referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Evening Schools, allowing assistants for registration in Evening Schools, Journal, p. 434.

The PRESIDENT called Commissioner CRAWFORD to the chair.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced the report of the Committee on By-Laws, &c., to dismiss the complaint of George B. Riggins against Moses L. Phillips, Trustee of Eleventh Ward, Journal, pp. 436-438.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Traud, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—14.

Commissioner TAMSEN asked to be, and was excused from voting.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced the report of the Committee on Buildings, to authorize Trustees of Seventeenth Ward to hire premises Nos. 15 and 17 Third street, for P. S. No. 6, Journal, pp. 440, 441.

On motion of Commissioner POMEROY—

Laid over to be taken up in connection with the question of the consolidation of schools.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced the report of the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, to dismiss the application of M. B. Stafford to place a ventilating apparatus in P. S. No. 11, Journal, p. 441.

Which was adopted.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced the report of the Committee on Normal College, relative to non-resident pupils, Journal, pp. 445, 446.

On motion of Commissioner SCHMITT—

Laid over, and to retain its place in the schedule.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, relative to the improper dismissal of a pupil by Mrs. J. J. Hill, P. D. G. S. No. 74, Journal, pp. 447-449.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crawford, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Vermilye, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—11.

Nays—Commissioners Crary, Devoe, Tamsen, Traud and Wallace—5.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, relative to consolidation of schools, Journal, pp. 449-454.

Commissioner SCHMITT moved that said report be laid over until the second meeting in October.

The PRESIDENT resumed the chair.

Commissioner CRAWFORD moved that said motion be amended by substituting for "the second meeting in October," the words "one week from to-day."

Which was adopted.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would

agree with the motion of Commissioner Schmitt, as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Holt, Pomeroy, Schwab, Traud, Vermilye, Wetmore and Wood—11.

Nays—Commissioners Perkins, Schmitt, Tamsen, Wallace and Welch—5.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, censuring Miss Annie M. Hoffman, F. D. G. S. No. 69, Journal, pp. 454, 455.

Commissioner TAMSEN moved that said report be recommitted.

In connection with said report it was ordered that a communication from Miss Hoffman be referred also.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, to be discharged from further consideration of the communication of Trustees of Twenty-first Ward and Inspectors of Sixth District, recommending the removal of Miss K. A. Fitz-Gibbon, P. D. G. S. No. 16, Journal, pp. 455, 456.

On motion of Commissioner POMEROY—

Said report was recommitted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, relative to the study of physiology and hygiene, Journal, pp. 456–466.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, amending the course of study relative to geometry, &c., Journal, pp. 466–468.

Also—

The report of the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, recommending changes in the Teachers' Manual, Journal, pp. 468–470.

Commissioner WOOD moved that said reports be laid over, and retain their place on the schedule.

Commissioner DEVOE moved to amend by adding the words "for consideration at the first meeting in October."

Which was lost.

Commissioner DEVOE then moved to amend by adding "for consideration at the second meeting in October."

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Traud, Vermilye and Wetmore—11.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Tamsen, Wallace and Wood—4.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner Wood as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented a report from the Auditing Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the City Superintendent, relative to the absence of Assistant Superintendent Paul Hoffman ; stating, that leave of absence for six weeks, with full pay, was granted Assistant Superintendent Paul Hoffman, by the Board of Education, April 15, Journal, 1885, p. 249, on account of ill-health. Said term of absence having expired, and as he has not fully recovered, and is still unable to report for duty, the Committee recommend that his absence be extended until the end of the summer vacation, with full pay. Appended to this report will be found a certificate from his physician.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the absence of Assistant Superintendent Paul

Hoffman, on account of ill-health, be, and the same is hereby excused until the end of the summer vacation, with full pay.

HENRY SCHMITT,	}	<i>Auditing Committee.</i>
H. B. PERKINS,		
DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,		
W. B. WALLACE,		

Commissioner SCHMITT asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented a report from the Auditing Committee; stating, that they have examined the accompanying bills, and believing the items thereof to be correct and the charges reasonable, recommend their payment by the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the following named bills be, and they hereby are approved for payment:

J. S. Babcock, three coal receipt books, 250 receipts to the book.....	\$5 75	
Four coal receipt books, 500 receipts to the book... ..	8 25	
	<hr/>	\$14 00
The <i>Evening Post Job Printing Office</i> , printing extra work, Normal Col- lege Report, April 16, 1885.....	\$14 84	
Printing extra work, Annual Reports of 1884, April 16	131 91	
Printing Extra work, City Superin- tendent's Reports of 1885, April 16	11 51	
	<hr/>	158 26
The <i>Evening Post Job Printing Office</i> , printing extra work, Manual of 1885, April 20, 1885...		39 97

Charles S. Sherman, new wash bowl for Commissioner's room, May 28, 1885 3 88

\$216 11

HENRY SCHMITT,	}	<i>Auditing Committee.</i>
H. B. PERKINS,		
DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,		
W. B. WALLACE,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the report of the Engineer, on the sanitary condition of Grammar School No. 6, on Randall's Island ; stating, that as this building is under the charge of the Board of Commissioners of Charities and Correction, they respectfully recommend that the report be transmitted to them for such action as they may deem proper in the premises.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the Committee on Buildings be discharged from the further consideration of the report of the Engineer on the sanitary condition of Grammar School No. 6, on Randall's Island, and that said report be transmitted to the Board of Commissioners of Charities and Correction.

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
G. SCHWAB,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		

Commissioner DEVOE asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom were referred applications from the Trustees of the Seventh, Fifteenth and Twenty-fourth Wards, to excuse the absence of teachers, with full pay ;

stating, that the cause of absence in each case reported herein is personal illness.

A statement is submitted, showing the record of each applicant for the past five years.

The Committee recommend that the absences be excused, with full pay, for the "Time allowed," in the following resolution, which is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the following named teachers be excused for absence, with full pay, for the "Time allowed" herein :

WARD.	School.	Name.	Time Allowed.	Years of Service.	Instruction.	Discipline.	No. Days Lost.	Exc. with full pay.
7th.	M. D. 2.	Maggie B. Murphy.....	11 d. May....	8	{ Ex.....4 y..... Good...1 y.Ex..... }		71	41 d.
15th.	P. D. 35.	Mary H. Lynch.....	3 d. June ...	26	{ Ex.....4 y.Ex....4 y. Gen'l Assistant....1 y. }		14	.....
24th.	P. D. 65.	Fannie E. Bromily.....	3 d. May....	12	{ Ex.....4 y..... Good...1 y.Ex..... }		2	.....
	P. S. 48.	Fannie A. Smith	8 d. April...	9	{ Management. Ex.....4 y.Good..1 y. }		30	21 d.

DAVID WETMORE,
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,
EUGENE H. POMEROY,
WILLIAM WOOD,
EUGENE KELLY,

} Committee
on
Teachers.

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Joint Committee on Buildings and Auditing, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward for authority to excavate and construct coal vaults under the sidewalk in front of Grammar School No. 35, to make room for the electric light boilers and motor for the Evening High School, where the coal is at present stowed away; stating, that it is necessary that this work should be done to carry out the terms of the contract heretofore made with the Edison Electric Light Company, leaving the space in the cellar at present occupied by the coal-bins for the boilers and motor of the electric light for said school, and excavating and constructing coal vaults under the sidewalk in front of the school.

The Committee recommend that the Trustees be author-

ized to advertise for proposals for doing the work, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the School Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to advertise in the *City Record* for two weeks for proposals to excavate and construct coal vaults under the sidewalk in front of Grammar School building No. 35, to make room for the electric light boilers and motor for the Evening High School. Plans and specifications to be prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the Joint Committee on Buildings and Auditing, and the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward,

F. W. DEVOE,
G. SCHWAB,
R. M. GALLAWAY,
EUGENE H. POMEROY,
HENRY SCHMITT,
H. B. PERKINS,
W. B. WALLACE,
DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,

*Joint
Committee on
Buildings and
Auditing.*

Commissioner DEVOE asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The report having been read by the Clerk—

Commissioner VERMILYE objected thereto, and moved that it be laid over, and retain its place on the schedule.

Which was lost.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on By-Laws, &c., in favor of paying a bill of McKenney & Scrafford, incurred by the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward in 1882; stating, that while by the accounts of the Board there is to its credit from the fund of that year, as stated in the financial statement of 1884, over thirty-six thousand dollars, yet in a communication from the Board of Estimate and Ap-

portionment, per Journal of the Board, page 29, the Board is informed that a deficiency existed at that time in the funds of the Board for the years 1881 and 1882. It cannot, therefore, be positively stated that the Board has the financial ability to meet this claim, inasmuch as it must be inferred, and the Committee is, unofficially, so informed, that whatever balances of the funds for these years appeared upon the books of the Comptroller, were, some time since, transferred to the credit of the general fund of the city. It is, however, understood that the deficiencies caused by the subsequent presentation of legitimate claims upon funds that have been so transferred, are provided for by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment in their annual budget of expenditures for the year following, under the head of "Contingencies," and paid therefrom. The Committee, therefore, recommend that the resolution of the Committee on By-Laws, &c., recorded on page 383 of the Journal, be adopted.

J. D. VERMILYE, FERDINAND TRAUD, EUGENE KELLY, DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, recommending an appropriation of forty dollars (\$40) for the payment of the bill of James Curran, for extra work done in connection with his contract for putting heating apparatus in G. S. building No. 33; stating, that the Board has the ability to appropriate the sum named from the funds of 1884, the contract for the work having been authorized in that year.

The report of the Committee on Warming and Ventilation is on pages 442, 443 of the Journal.

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Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Buildings, relative to their award of contract for connecting the Public Schools by telegraph with the headquarters of the Fire Department ; stating, that funds to the amount of sixteen thousand dollars, the estimated cost, were specially apportioned by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for this work, and remain to the credit of the Board, subject to its requisitions therefor. The report of the Committee on Buildings is on pages 438-440 of the Journal.

J. D. VERMILYE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
EUGENE KELLY,		
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Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, in obedience to the resolution of the Board, adopted on the 17th inst., "to report at the next meeting of the Board on the nominations made for Principals by the Trustees of the Sixth and Nineteenth Wards, and referred to them on the 6th day of May, 1885," respectfully report :

That by the death of Miss Anna C. McHugh, a vacancy was created in the Principalship of Primary School No. 8.

For this vacancy the Trustees of the Sixth Ward nominated Miss Mary T. Lawlor, a subordinate teacher, overlooking the claims of others in their own Ward better qualified by experience, and in the line of promotion.

Your Committee recommend that the nomination be set aside, and that Miss Mary C. Hepburn be appointed to the position. The reason for this recommendation may be briefly stated.

Miss Hepburn is at present Principal of Primary School No. 6, in the Seventeenth Ward.

It is the intention of this Board to discontinue Primary School No. 6 as soon as the new Grammar School No. 79, in First street, is completed, which will be about the time of the opening of the schools in September.

Primary School No. 6 is located in a building for which the Board is paying rent.

The Committee recommend that the pupils of No. 6, and the teachers so far as practicable, be transferred to No. 79, and that Miss Hepburn be appointed Principal of Primary School No. 8. This will provide better and more suitable accommodations for the pupils of No. 6, and will save the Board at least \$3,288 per annum.

In regard to the nominations made by the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, for the Principalship of Male and Primary Departments of No. 82, corner of Seventieth street and First avenue, the Committee were divided in opinion as to the best course to pursue. The majority, however, have decided to recommend the appointment of the nominees of the Trustees, to wit :

George E. Hardy. Principal Male Department No. 82.

Annie M. Walsh, Principal Primary Department No. 82.

The following resolutions are submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That on and after September 14, 1885, Primary School No. 6, in the Seventeenth Ward, be discontinued, and the pupils and teachers be transferred to Grammar School No. 79, in First street.

Resolved, That Miss Mary C. Hepburn, be and she is hereby appointed Principal of Primary School No. 8, in the Sixth Ward, to take effect on and after September 14, 1885, in accordance with section 1027, subdivision 3, of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882.

Resolved, That George E. Hardy, nominated by the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward for the position of Principal of Male Department of Grammar School No. 82, he having (as appears from the annexed certificate of the City Superintendent) the requisite qualifications, be and hereby is appointed to said position, from the date of commencement of service subsequent to the passage of this resolution.

Resolved, That Miss Annie M. Walsh, nominated by the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward for the position of

Principal of Primary Department of Grammar School No. 82, she having (as appears from the annexed certificate of the City Superintendent) the requisite qualifications, be and she hereby is appointed to said position from the date of commencement of service, subsequent to the passage of this resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID WETMORE,

For presentation,

EUGENE KELLY,

WILLIAM WOOD,

EUGENE H. POMEROY,

For presentation only. }

*Committee
on
Teachers.*

Laid over under the rule.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Commissioner WOOD—

The Board adjourned.

LAWRENCE D. KIERNAN,

Clerk.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 1, 1885.

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COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Trustees of the Fifteenth, Sixteenth and Twenty-second Wards, to excuse absence of teachers, &c.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power conferred by the by-laws.

From the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, making award of the contracts for new steam heating apparatus for G. S. No. 23, to Gillis & Geoghegan, for \$3,500 ; and for P. S. No. 8, to Gillis & Geoghegan, for \$3,450 ; and asking for an appropriation of \$6,950 for said purposes.

Referred to the Finance Committee,

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Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, making award of the contract for heating apparatus for G. S. No. 31, to Gillis & Geoghegan, for \$5,660, and asking for an appropriation of that amount for said purpose.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Tenth Ward, making award of the contract for altering, repairing, &c., the steam heating apparatus in G. S. building No. 75, to Carraher & Co., for \$493, and asking for an appropriation of that amount for said purpose.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, nominating teachers for Female Junior Evening School No. 4.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, making award of contracts for repairs, furniture, &c., as follows :

For repairs and painting, &c., G. S. No. 34, to Hugh Nesbitt, for \$1,795 ;

For repairs and painting, &c., P. S. No. 20, to Hugh Nesbitt, for \$1,385 ;

For repairs and painting, P. S. No. 40, to Hugh Nesbitt, for \$625 ;

For new desks and seats, G. S. No. 34, to A. H. Andrews & Co., for \$345 ;

For new furniture and repairs of furniture, P. S. No. 20, to R. & R. H. Paton, for \$419 ;

And asking for an appropriation of \$4,569 for said purposes.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, making award of the contracts for altering, improving, &c., the steam heating apparatus in G. S. No. 34, to Jamer, Jacobs & Co., for \$962.50, and asking for an appropriation of that amount for said purposes.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Fourteenth Ward, making award of the contract for steam heating apparatus for G. S. No. 21, to John Neal & Co., for \$5,883, and asking for an appropriation of that amount for said purposes.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Fourteenth Ward, making award of contracts for repairs and painting, for G. S. Nos. 5 and 21, as follows :

For G. S. No. 5, to John Smart, for \$708 ;

For G. S. No. 21, to Wm. H. Housner, Jr., for \$420 ;

And asking for an appropriation of \$1,128 for said purposes.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward, making award of contracts for repairs and painting, and for new furniture and repairs, as follows :

For repairs and painting, G. S. No. 10, to J. W. Jones, for \$847 ;

For repairs and painting, G. S. No. 35, to J. W. Jones, for \$2,470 ;

For repairs and painting, G. S. No. 47, to J. W. Jones, for \$1,022 ;

For new desks and seats, G. S. No. 35, to A. H. Andrews & Co., for \$760 ;

For repairing furniture and new furniture, G. S. No. 35, to Nathaniel Johnson, for \$824 ;

For repairing furniture, G. S. No. 47, to James H. Paton, for \$918 ;

And asking for an appropriation of \$6,841 for said purposes.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, making award of contracts for repairs and painting, and for new furniture and repairs of furniture, as follows :

For repairs and painting, G. S. No. 11, to J. W. Jones, for \$896 ;

For repairs and painting, G. S. No. 45, to J. W. Jones for \$1,449 ;

For repairs and painting, G. S. No. 56, to J. W. Jones, for \$1,771 ;

For new desks and seats, to A. H. Andrews & Co., for \$363 ;

For repairing furniture, G. S. No. 56, to James H. Paton, for \$218 ;

And asking for an appropriation of \$4,697 for said purposes.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, making award of the contract for steam heating apparatus for G. S. No. 11, to Rutzler & Blake, for \$6,067 ;

And asking for an appropriation of that amount for said purposes.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, making awards of contracts for repairs and painting, etc., and for new furniture for G. S. No. 79, as follows :

For repairs and painting, G. S. No. 13, to James Colton, \$1,232 ;

For repairs and painting, G. S. No. 19, to W. H. Housner, Jr., for \$673 ;

For repairs and painting, G. S. No. 25, to W. H. Housner Jr., for \$724 ;

For new desks and seats, G. S. No. 79, to A. H. Andrews & Co., for \$2,600 ;

For new furniture and repairs of G. S. No. 79, to R. & R. H. Paton, for \$2,106 ;

And asking for an appropriation of \$6,835 for said purposes.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, making award of the contracts for steam heating apparatus, for P. S. No. 26, P. S. No. 9, and repairs, etc., P. S. 26, as follows :

For heating apparatus, P. S. No. 26, to Rutzler & Blake, for \$3,825 ;

For heating apparatus, P. S. No. 9, Rutzler & Blake, for \$3,331 ;

For repairs and painting, P. S. No. 26, to Thomas Falvey, for \$349 ;

And asking for an appropriation of \$7,505 for said purposes.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, relative to the closing of P. S. No. 6, and its transfer to G. S. No. 79, as follows :

To the Honorable the Board of Education :

The undersigned Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward respectfully call the attention of your honorable body to the following :

The Male Department of Grammar School No. 13, which is to be transferred to the new Grammar School on First street on its completion, is composed of sixteen classes with a steadily increasing attendance; and Primary School No. 9, which is to form the Primary Department of said new school, is composed of thirteen classes, while the building when completed will contain but thirty-one classrooms in all, thus leaving but two rooms vacant for the rush of new scholars, which invariably takes place on the opening of a new Grammar School building.

The new school is composed of the old building of Primary School No. 9, and of an addition to said building. This addition, which contains twelve classrooms, cannot possibly be ready for occupancy on the opening of the school in September, and will probably not be ready for several weeks thereafter.

The old building is now undergoing alterations, and to make sure that it will be ready in September your honorable Board allowed our Board of Trustees to close Primary School No 9 during the last three weeks of the present term.

The nineteen classrooms of this old building are all that will be ready in September to accommodate the twenty-nine classes of the Grammar and Primary Departments of the new Grammar School ; even by doubling up, only twenty-one of these classes can be accommodated in the First street building,

and at least eight classes will have to go elsewhere. Five of these can be temporarily provided for in the building in Houston street, and we are at a loss to know where to put the remaining three; in fact, we can see no place for them unless we continue to make use of the accommodations furnished us by the building occupied by Primary School No. 6, where we have been compelled to put five of the grammar classes, or take the alternative of turning the children into the streets.

The average attendance of the schools of the Seventeenth Ward has increased from 7,904 in 1876 to 8,922 in 1884, an increase of nearly thirteen per cent. During the same time we have been deprived of the school accommodations afforded us by one building, Primary School No. 23, on Eighth street, to the consolidation of which with No. 22, at the request of your Board, we readily acquiesced.

Owing to the poor sanitary condition of the ground floor classrooms of Grammar School No. 19, our Board has been under the necessity of asking your honorable body for authority to close said classrooms, as they are absolutely unfit to be used by human beings.

This will further deprive us of four classrooms, and accommodations must be found elsewhere for the children who have hitherto occupied them, to the serious detriment of their health and well-being.

In view of these facts we respectfully represent to your honorable Board that it would be unwise at the present time to take any decisive steps in regard to the consolidation of Primary School No. 6 with the Primary Department of the new school on First street; it would also be injudicious to deprive ourselves of the accommodations afforded by Primary School No. 6 at the present juncture, inasmuch as your honorable Board is liable for the rent of premises occupied by said school, until the first day of May next.

We do not feel warranted in assuming the responsibility of turning several hundred children of this densely populated district into the streets, when suitable accommodations are at

our disposal, and for which the city must pay whether they are used or not.

We, therefore, hope that your honorable Board will postpone definite action in this matter until the building in First street is completed.

Respectfully submitted,

• HIRAM MERRITT,
GEO. H. BEYER,
HENRY ALLEN,
CHAS. MIEHLING,
HENRY MAURER.

On motion of Commissioner TAMSEN,

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, making award of contracts for repairs, painting, furniture, &c., as follows :

For repairs and painting, G. S. No. 40, to Fred. M. Cornell, for \$870 ;

For repairs and painting, G. S. No. 50, to Cooper & Weed, for \$645 ;

For repairs and painting, P. S. No. 28, to Cooper & Weed, for \$310 ;

For repairs and painting, P. S. No. 29, to J. W. Jones, for \$339 ;

For furniture work, G. S. No. 40, to H. J. Fitzpatrick & Co., for the sum of \$475 ;

For furniture work, G. S. No. 50, to James H. Paton, for \$309 ;

And asking for an appropriation of \$2,948, for said purposes.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, making award of contracts for repairs and painting, furniture, &c., as follows :

For repairs and painting, G. S. No. 53, to James H. Brady, for \$1,440 ;

For repairs and painting, G. S. No. 59, to J. Brown, for \$1,425 ;

For repairs and painting, G. S. No. 74, to J. Brown, for \$771 ;

For new desks and seats, G. S. No. 18, to A. H. Andrews & Co., for \$263 ;

For new furniture and repairs, G. S. No. 18, to Nathaniel Johnson, for \$600 ;

For new furniture and repairs, G. S. No. 53, to H. J. Fitzpatrick & Co., for \$675 ;

And asking for an appropriation of \$11,864 for said purposes. Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, relative to the dismissal of Mary Henderson, a pupil in P. D. G. S. No. 74, by Mrs. J. J. Hill, and the action of the Board thereon, and declining to recognize the jurisdiction of the Board in the case.

Said communication having been read by the Clerk—
Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for the payment of Mrs. S. E. Halley, for cleaning and care of G. S. No. 18.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, making award of the contracts for repairs and painting in G. S. building No. 26, to Robert Macbeth, for \$959, and asking for an appropriation of that amount for said purposes.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, making award of the contracts for heating apparatus, &c., as follows :

For G. S. No. 33, to Rutzler & Blake, for \$662 ;

For the addition to G. S. No. 32, to Gillis & Geoghegan, for \$3,575 ;

And asking for an appropriation of \$4,237 for said purposes. Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-first Ward, making an award of the contract for repairs and painting on G. S. building No. 14, to William Hepburn, for \$2,254, and asking for an appropriation of that amount for said purposes.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, making award of the contract for repairs and painting on G. S. building No. 58, to Patrick Burns, for \$450, and asking for an appropriation of that amount for said purposes.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, making award of the contract for steam heating apparatus for G. S. No. 67, to Rutzler & Blake, for \$3,669, and asking for an appropriation of that amount for said purposes.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, relative to premises occupied by G. S. No. 80, and asking for authority to rehire No. 252 West Forty-second street.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, making award of the contracts for repairs, &c., as follows :

For repairs and painting, G. S. No. 60, to Cooper & Weed, for \$388 ;

For repairs and painting, P. S. No. 44, to Cooper & Weed, for \$940 ;

And asking for an appropriation of \$1,328 for said purposes,
Referred to the Finance Committee.

CITY SUPERINTENDENT.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the report of the City Superintendent, relative to the operations of the Truancy Department, for the month of June, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to present the following report of the Truancy Department for the month of June.

The whole number of cases investigated and closed was 802.

Of this number, 218 reported as truants, and 32 as non-attendants, were placed in school.

A detailed statement of the regular monthly work will be found appended.

The Department has just completed a thorough census of all

children between the ages of five and fourteen years residing in the Seventh Ward. The returns show that there are in the Ward 9,462 children, of whom 7,832 attend school. Of the 1,630 non-attendants, 1,146 are under eight years of age, and are, therefore, not amenable to law. Of the remaining 484, 78 are physically disqualified, and 106 are entitled to certificates.

Of these 9,462 children in the Seventh Ward, only 300 are not complying with the provisions of the Compulsory Education Act.

Interesting statistics in relation to the census are annexed to the report.

Very respectfully,

JOHN JASPER,

City Superintendent.

SCHEDULE.

Total number of visits made.....	1,666
To homes.....	1,180
“ schools.....	465
“ stores and factories.....	21
Total.....	<u>1,666</u>
Total number of cases investigated and closed.....	802
Children kept at home by parents.....	238
“ “ “ sickness.....	130
“ “ “ poverty.....	18
“ physically disqualified.....	0
“ transferred from one school to another....	16
“ under eight and over fourteen years of age.	39
“ withdrawn from school { left the city.....	6
“ “ “ “ gone to work.....	13
“ whose residence could not be found.....	83
“ found to be truants and returned to school.	218
“ found to be truants and committed to Reformatory Institutions by parents through agent	8

Children found to be non-attendants and placed in school.....	32
“ found to be non-attendants and placed in Reformatory Institutions by parent through agent.....	1
“ committed to New York Catholic Protectory.....	0
Total.....	802

Table showing the School Population of the Seventh Ward between the ages of five and fourteen years; also the School Attendance, Nativity of Parents, and Children.

AGE.	Native White.		Foreign White.		Colored.		Total.	Number who attend School.	Number who do not attend School.	Nativity of Children.	Number of Children, with respect to Nativity of Parents.
	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.					
5 Years	459	445	33	31			968	314	654	U. S., 8694	U. S., 1578 Switz'l'd, 8
6 "	513	462	35	34			1044	706	338	Ireland, 97	Irel'd, 3998 Spain, 6
7 "	530	548	46	48			1167	1014	153	Germ'y, 195	Ger'y, 2175 France, 32
8 "	474	516	34	35	1		1060	990	70	Engl'd, 108	Engl'd, 272 Newfd'l'd, 6
9 "	567	516	41	32			1156	1111	45	Italy, 12	Italy, 34 N. Br'ns'k, 5
10 "	535	507	47	49			1138	1088	50	Poland, 98	Poland, 381 Bermuda, 2
11 "	476	463	40	34			1012	956	56	Canada, 4	Canada, 26 Columbia, 2
12 "	492	450	43	38	1		1024	928	101	Austria, 27	Austria, 39 Cuba, 1
13 "	385	432	33	40	1		898	781	162	Norway, 2	Holland, 17 Greece, 2
										Russia, 205	Wales, 6 W. Indies, 3
	4430	4389	354	386	1	2	9462	7832	1630	Hungary, 7	Denm'k, 21 N'va Sc'ta, 1
										France, 5	Scot'l'd, 68 Turkey, 5
										Scot'l'd, 2	Sweden, 44 S. Wales, 3
										Sweden, 4	Russia, 700
										Turkey, 2	Norway, 25 Total, 9462
Non-attendants, between 8 and 14 years of age.....								484			Hung'ry, 11
Non-attendants physically disqualified.....								73		Total, 9462	Bohemia, 3
Non-attendants entitled to certificates.....								106			Portugal, 5
Non-attendants to be placed in school.....								300			At'd Pub. Schools 5675
											" Par'ch'l " 2077
											" Private, " 80
Total								484			Total 7832

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

children between the ages of five and fourteen years residing in the Seventh Ward. The returns show that there are in the Ward 9,462 children, of whom 7,832 attend school. Of the 1,630 non-attendants, 1,146 are under eight years of age, and are, therefore, not amenable to law. Of the remaining 484, 78 are physically disqualified, and 106 are entitled to certificates.

Of these 9,462 children in the Seventh Ward, only 300 are not complying with the provisions of the Compulsory Education Act.

Interesting statistics in relation to the census are annexed to the report.

Very respectfully,

JOHN JASPER,

City Superintendent.

SCHEDULE.

Total number of visits made.....	1,666
To homes.....	1,180
“ schools.....	465
“ stores and factories.....	21
Total.....	<u>1,666</u>
Total number of cases investigated and closed.....	802
Children kept at home by parents.....	238
“ “ “ sickness.....	130
“ “ “ poverty.....	18
“ physically disqualified.....	0
“ transferred from one school to another....	16
“ under eight and over fourteen years of age.	39
“ withdrawn from school { left the city.....	6
“ “ “ gone to work.....	13
“ whose residence could not be found.....	83
“ found to be truants and returned to school.	218
“ found to be truants and committed to Reformatory Institutions by parents through agent	8

Children found to be non-attendants and placed in school.....	32
“ found to be non-attendants and placed in Reformatory Institutions by parent through agent.....	1
“ committed to New York Catholic Protectory.....	0
Total.....	802

Table showing the School Population of the Seventh Ward between the ages of five and fourteen years; also the School Attendance, Nativity of Parents, and Children.

Age.	Native White.		Foreign White.		Colored.		Total.	Number who attend School.	Number who do not attend School.	Nativity of Children.	Number of Children, with respect to Nativity of Parents.
	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.					
5 Years	459	445	38	31			968	814	654	U. S., 8694	U. S., 1673 Switz'd, 8
6 "	512	462	35	34			1044	705	839	Ireland, 97	Irel'd, 9985 Spain, 8
7 "	530	548	46	43			1167	1014	153	Germ'y, 195	Ger'y, 2175 France, 32
8 "	474	516	34	35	1		1080	990	70	Engl'd, 106	Engl'd, 272 Newf'dl'd, 5
9 "	567	516	41	32			1156	1111	45	Italy, 12	Italy, 34 N. Br's'k, 5
10 "	535	507	47	49			1138	1088	50	Poland, 98	Poland, 381 Bermuda, 2
11 "	475	463	40	34			1012	956	56	Canada, 4	Canada, 26 Columbia, 2
12 "	492	450	43	38	1		1024	923	101	Austria, 27	Austria, 39 Cuba, 1
13 "	385	432	35	40	1		893	731	162	Norway, 2	Holland, 17 Greece, 2
										Russia, 205	Wales, 6 W. Indies, 3
	4490	4339	354	336	1	2	9462	7832	1630	Hungary, 7	Denm'k, 21 N'va Sc'ta, 1
										France, 5	Scot'l'd, 68 Turkey, 5
										Scot'l'd, 2	Sweden, 44 S. Wales, 3
										Sweden, 4	Russia, 700
										Turkey, 2	Norway, 25
											Hung'ry, 11
										Total, 9462	Bohemia, 3
											Portugal, 5
Non-attendants, between 8 and 14 years of age.....									484		
Non-attendants physically disqualified.....									78		
Non-attendants entitled to certificates.....									106		
Non-attendants to be placed in school, 300											
Total									484		
										At'd Pub. Schools 5675	
										" Par'ch'l " 2077	
										" Private, " 80	
										Total	7882

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 1, 1885.

STATED SESSION.

Present—STEPHEN A. WALKER, Esq., President, and Commissioners CRARY, CRAWFORD, DEVOE, GALLAWAY, HOLT, KELLY, PERKINS, POMEROY, SCHMITT, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, SIMMONS, TAMSEN, TRAUD, WALLACE, WELCH, WETMORE and WOOD—19.

Absent—Commissioners BELL and VERMILYE—2.

The PRESIDENT announced for consideration the minutes of the last session, and put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the session held on June 24th, as printed in the Journal, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners CRARY, DEVOE, GALLAWAY, HOLT, KELLY, PERKINS, SCHMITT, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, SIMMONS, TAMSEN, TRAUD, WALLACE, WELCH, WETMORE and WOOD—17.

COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Trustees of the Fifteenth, Sixteenth and Twenty-second Wards, to excuse absence of teachers, &c.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power conferred by the by-laws.

From the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, making award of the contracts for new steam heating apparatus for G. S. No. 23, to Gillis & Geoghegan, for \$3,500 ; and for P. S. No. 8, to Gillis & Geoghegan, for \$3,450 ; and asking for an appropriation of \$6,950 for said purposes.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, making award of the contract for heating apparatus for G. S. No. 31, to Gillis & Geoghegan, for \$5,660, and asking for an appropriation of that amount for said purpose.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Tenth Ward, making award of the contract for altering, repairing, &c., the steam heating apparatus in G. S. building No. 75, to Carraher & Co., for \$493, and asking for an appropriation of that amount for said purpose.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, nominating teachers for Female Junior Evening School No. 4.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, making award of contracts for repairs, furniture, &c., as follows :

For repairs and painting, &c., G. S. No. 34, to Hugh Nesbitt, for \$1,795 ;

For repairs and painting, &c., P. S. No. 20, to Hugh Nesbitt, for \$1,385 ;

For repairs and painting, P. S. No. 40, to Hugh Nesbitt, for \$625 ;

For new desks and seats, G. S. No. 34, to A. H. Andrews & Co., for \$345 ;

For new furniture and repairs of furniture, P. S. No. 20, to R. & R. H. Paton, for \$419 ;

And asking for an appropriation of \$4,569 for said purposes.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, making award of the contracts for altering, improving, &c., the steam heating apparatus in G. S. No. 34, to Jamer, Jacobs & Co., for \$962.50, and asking for an appropriation of that amount for said purposes.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Fourteenth Ward, making award of the contract for steam heating apparatus for G. S. No. 21, to John Neal & Co., for \$5,883, and asking for an appropriation of that amount for said purposes.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Fourteenth Ward, making award of contracts for repairs and painting, for G. S. Nos. 5 and 21, as follows :

For G. S. No. 5, to John Smart, for \$708 ;

For G. S. No. 21, to Wm. H. Housner, Jr., for \$420 ;

And asking for an appropriation of \$1,128 for said purposes.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward, making award of contracts for repairs and painting, and for new furniture and repairs, as follows :

For repairs and painting, G. S. No. 10, to J. W. Jones, for \$847 ;

For repairs and painting, G. S. No. 35, to J. W. Jones, for \$2,470 ;

For repairs and painting, G. S. No. 47, to J. W. Jones, for \$1,022 ;

For new desks and seats, G. S. No. 35, to A. H. Andrews & Co., for \$760 ;

For repairing furniture and new furniture, G. S. No. 35, to Nathaniel Johnson, for \$824 ;

For repairing furniture, G. S. No. 47, to James H. Paton, for \$918 ;

And asking for an appropriation of \$6,841 for said purposes.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, making award of contracts for repairs and painting, and for new furniture and repairs of furniture, as follows :

For repairs and painting, G. S. No. 11, to J. W. Jones, for \$896 ;

Commissioner SIMMONS called for the question on the third resolution, found on page 494.

Commissioner CRAWFORD moved that the third resolution be amended by substituting the name of M. A. Birmingham for that of George E. Hardy.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crawford and Wetmore—3.

Nays Commissioners Crary, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch and Wood—15.

Commissioner DEVOE asked to be and was excused from voting.

Commissioner DEVOE moved that the name of Frank J. Coleman, Vice-Principal G. S. No. 18, be substituted for that of George E. Hardy.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crawford, Devoe, Holt, Schwab and Wetmore—6.

Nays—Commissioners Crary, Gallaway, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch and Wood—13.

The PRESIDENT called Commissioner POMEROY to the Chair.

Commissioner WELCH called for the previous question, which was not seconded.

The PRESIDENT resumed the Chair.

Commissioner CRAWFORD moved that the name of Wm. C. Hess, G. S. No. 13, be substituted for that of George E. Hardy.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crawford, Devoe, Holt, Schwab and Wetmore—6.

Nays—Commissioners Crary, Gallaway, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch and Wood—13.

Commissioner CRAWFORD moved that the name of Anthony A. Griffin, G. S. No. 2, be substituted for that of George E. Hardy.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crawford, Devoe, Holt, Schwab and Wetmore—6.

Nays—Commissioners Crary, Gallaway, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch and Wood—13.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt the third resolution attached to the report of the Committee, appointing George E. Hardy as principal M. D. G. S. No. 82, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crary, Gallaway, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch and Wood—13.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crawford, Devoe, Holt, Schwab and Wetmore—6.

The PRESIDENT announced for consideration the fourth resolution, pages 494, 495.

Commissioner POMEROY moved that the name of Fannie A. Smith, P. D. No. 48, be substituted for that of Annie M. Walsh.

Commissioner KELLY called for the previous question, which being seconded,

The PRESIDENT put the question, "Shall the main question now be put?" and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crary, Gallaway, Kelly, Perkins,

Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Wallace and Welch—11.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crawford, Devoe, Holt, Pomeroy, Traud, Wetmore and Wood—8.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner POMEROY, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crawford, Devoe, Holt, Pomeroy, Schwab and Wetmore—7.

Nays—Commissioners Crary, Gallaway, Kelly, Perkins, Schmitt, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch and Wood—12.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt the fourth resolution attached to the report of the Committee, appointing Miss Annie M. Walsh for Principal P. D. G. S. No. 82, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—19.

The PRESIDENT called Commissioner SIMMONS to the chair.

Commissioner SELIGMAN moved that the Board adjourn.

Which was lost.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner TRAUD presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, for authority to transfer Male Evening School No. 13 to Male Grammar School No. 79, and transfer Female Evening School No. 79 to Grammar School No. 13; stating, that it is desirable that Male Evening Schools be located in buildings occupied by Male Grammar Schools, and Female Evening Schools in buildings occupied by Female Grammar Schools.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward be and

they hereby are authorized to transfer Male Evening School No. 13 to Male Grammar School No. 79, and transfer Female Evening School No. 79 to Grammar School No. 13.

FERDINAND TRAUD,	} Committee on Evening Schools.
CHARLES CRARY,	
HENRY SCHMITT,	
R. M. GALLAWAY,	
W. J. WELCH,	

Commissioner TRAUD asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Holt, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—15.

Commissioner TRAUD presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, recommending that section 108 of the Manual be amended as follows :

For the first eight lines down to words “ Political Science,” insert the following :

“ In addition to the Principal there shall be teachers of English Grammar, Reading and Declamation, Penmanship, Arithmetic, Bookkeeping, Algebra, Geometry, Trigonometry, Chemistry, History and Political Science.”

This is to conform to the instruction now given in the Evening High School.

The following resolution is recommended for adoption :

Resolved, That section 108 of the Manual be amended as follows :

Strike out part beginning “ In addition,” first line, and ending with “ Political Science,” eighth line, and insert the following :

“ In addition to the Principal there shall be teachers of English Grammar, Reading and Declamation, Penman-

ship, Arithmetic, Bookkeeping, Algebra, Geometry, Trigonometry, Chemistry, History and Political Science."

FERDINAND TRAUD,	} Committee on Evening Schools.
CHARLES CRARY,	
HENRY SCHMITT,	
R. M. GALLAWAY,	
W. J. WELCH,	

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

Commissioner TRAUD presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, relative to appointments in the Evening High School, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Committee on Evening Schools, to whom was recommended the report recommending the appointment of instructors in the Evening High School for the term of 1885 and 1886, respectfully report that they have reconsidered the same, and herewith submit it for the approval of the Board. The Committee would also state that they have submitted another report proposing a change of section 103 of the by-laws, so as to conform with the course of instruction pursued in the Evening High School at present. The Committee having received a communication from Mr. Edward A. Page, asking that his name be withdrawn as a candidate for a position in the Evening High School, they recommend the appointment of Mr. Wm. J. Goldey, as Instructor of English Grammar and Composition.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the following named persons be, and they hereby are appointed instructors in the Evening High School for the term of 1885 and 1886 :

Wilbur F. Hudson, General Assistant.

Thomas Greenwood, Latin and English.

Henry S. Carr, Reading and Declamation.

La Fayette Olney, Mathematics.

Wm. J. Goldey, English Grammar and Composition.

- Abraham K. Van Vleck, Arithmetic.
- Hugh Carlisle, Penmanship.
- Francis Melville, Free Hand Drawing.
- Thomas G. Williamson, Architectural and Mechanical Drawing.
- Charles F. Hartman, Bookkeeping.
- John Harmon, “
- Andrew J. Whiteside, “
- J. H. Zabriskie, “
- John Doty, Arithmetic.
- Charles A. Deshon, Arithmetic.
- Elijah A. Howland, Arithmetic and Chemistry.
- George White, Phonography.
- Wm. Stratford, M. D., Anatomy and Physiology.
- Wm. C. Hess, German.
- Adam E. Schulte, German.
- Frank Daulté, French.
- Albert Guichard, “
- Alberto de Tornos, Spanish.
- Elmer Poulson, Bookkeeping.
- James J. Grady, Arithmetic.
- Graham McAdam, Political Science and History.

Resolved, That the Principal of the Evening High School be, and is hereby authorized to employ seven of his Assistants during the two weeks previous to the commencement of the term, to assist in the registration and classification of pupils applying for admission, said Assistants to be paid the salary prescribed for teachers in the Evening High School.

Respectfully submitted,

FERDINAND TRAUD, }
For presentation.
CHARLES CRARY, }
R. M. GALLAWAY, }
For presentation.
HENRY SCHMITT, }
For presentation.
W. J. WELCH, }

Committee
on
Evening Schools.

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner TRAUD presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, stating, that they received a communication from the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, submitting the resignation of Caroline L. Langbein, as Principal of Junior Female Evening School No. 19, and nominating H. Louise Clark, to said position : also, nominating Caroline L. Langbein as Principal of Senior Female Evening School No. 13. The Committee recommend that the resignation of Miss Langbein be accepted, and that Miss Clark be appointed to the position made vacant by the resignation of Miss Langbein, and that Miss Langbein be appointed to the position of Principal of Senior Female Evening School No. 13.

The following resolutions are submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the resignation of Caroline L. Langbein, Principal of Junior Female Evening School No. 19, be and the same is hereby accepted.

Resolved, That H. Louise Clark be and she hereby is appointed to the position of Principal of Junior Female Evening School No. 19, for the term of 1885 and 1886.

Resolved, That Caroline L. Langbein be and she hereby is appointed Principal of Senior Female Evening School No. 13, for the term of 1885 and 1886.

FERDINAND TRAUD,	}	<i>Committee on Evening Schools.</i>
CHARLES CRARY,		
HENRY SCHMITT,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		
W. J. WELCH,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication of Mr. A. Bitter, complaining of discourtesy and ill-treatment toward his daughter Minnie, a pupil in P. D. G. S. No. 74; stating, that they have given the matter a careful investigation, and find that the alleged acts of ill-treatment are frivolous and unsubstantiated, and they recommend that the complaint be dismissed.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the complaint of A. Bitter, that his daughter Minnie, a pupil of P. D. G. S. No. 74, was ill-treated, be and the same is hereby dismissed, not being substantiated.

DAVID WETMORE,
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,
EUGENE KELLY,
WILLIAM WOOD,

}

Committee
on
Teachers.

Commissioner WETMORE asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented a report from the Auditing Committee; stating, that they have examined the accompanying bills, and believing the items thereof to be correct and the charges reasonable, recommend their payment by the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the following named bills be and they hereby are approved for payment :

F. Ehrhart, testing, &c., gas meters of Grammar School No. 20, June, 16, '85.....	\$3 50
James Watkins, serving Daily Morning papers from January 1 to June 30, '85.....	18 84
F. Froberg, serving <i>Evening Post, Mail and Commercial Advertiser</i> , May 1 to July 1, 1885, Hall Bd. of Ed.....	4 08
L. D. Kiernan, postage, &c., May 29 to June 30, '85.....	98 70
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	\$125 12

HENRY SCHMITT,
DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,
H. B. PERKINS,

}

Auditing
Committee.

Commissioner SCHMITT asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Holt, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—14.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, in relation to the claim for extra work, in connection with his contract for erecting the addition to G. S. No.. 33, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Committee on Buildings, in compliance with the following resolution adopted June 3d :

“ *Resolved*, That the report of the Committee on Buildings, page 203 of the Journal, be recommitted to that Committee, in order that it may furnish this Board with the items, for the cost of which the extraordinary sum of \$8,286.72 for “extra work” is demanded, and especially for the cost of building the ornamental wall on Twenty-eighth street, and also what would have been the cost of a plain brick wall in place thereof.”

Respectfully report :

That they have given the subject such consideration as circumstances permitted, and referred the matter to the Superintendent of School Buildings, for a general statement as to the charges in said bill, and have received from him substantially the following :

Concerning the “ornamental wall,” it may be proper to state, that the front of the main building of Grammar School No. 33 is one of the finest in respect to design, the materials used in its construction, and general outline, that we have in this City. The entire front is 100 feet, the first story is of brown stone, as are also the trimmings of windows, and the quoins at the corners and at several projecting portions of the entire front.

The entire site is 225 feet front, the “ornamental wall” is

100 feet long, and joins the main building ; the exact cost is not known, as it was included in the contract price for the building. What it cost over and above the price of a plain brick wall—having the same quality of brick—would probably reach the sum of \$200 ; the wall is a good one, and by calling it *handsome* or *grand* is only saying what ought to be said of it, and also of all appurtenances of so fine a building as that of Grammar School No. 33.

The branch building sets back 25 feet from the street line ; had it been set *on the street line*, or so near it as to not need a wall in front, the cost of building it to correspond with the main building would have been at least five times as much as the entire cost of the wall.

The wall is faced on the street side with Philadelphia pressed brick. There were no “amethyst nor precious stones” used in building the wall, but simply “brick” and what is called “brown stone.”

In regard to the “bill for extra work,” it does seem extravagant, as bills for so-called extra work always do.

There is, however, a distinction which should be made in the title of the bills. The name “*extra work*” has a peculiarly offensive sound to many, while if called “*additional work*” it would be different. By extra work ought to be understood such as may be necessary to carry out the design of the building, but was overlooked in making the specifications, or what may be necessary to carry out the true intent and meaning of the owners or architect. Thus, in this case, the change from stained wood to paint and graining cost \$250, putting in an extra column in the cellar, putting centres at gas outlets, some changes at the joining of the buildings, cost about \$250 more, making in all in round numbers \$500 worth of “extra work” over the amount of the contract for erecting the building.

The entire amount over the \$500 is for “additional work,” and has nothing to do with the original contract, so far as the erection of the building proper is concerned.

It is but justice to the Contractor to add right here, that the

requirements of the contract in every respect were carried out with a promptness and fidelity worthy of all praise.

The "additional work," by an understanding had by the School Trustees, the Superintendent of School Buildings, and the Contractor, was to be done, including labor and materials, at cost price plus ten per cent.

The entire cost of work and materials is divided amongst the various mechanics approximately, as follows :

	For Materials.	For Work.	Total.
Mason	\$1,304 97	\$1,009 11	\$2,314 08
Carpenter.....	963 63	992 12	1,955 75
Plumber.....	1,293 52	218 35	1,511 87
Tinman.....	958 34	423 00	1,381 34
Painter.....	187 62	410 75	598 37
Blue stone.....	115 29	85 00	200 29
Iron work.....	89 60	52 00	141 60
Brown stone.....	20 05	13 37	33 42
Foreman	150 00	150 00
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	\$4,933 02	\$3,353 70	\$8,286 72

Taking off \$500 before named as having been expended in the building proper, leaves the amount of \$7,786.72 to be accounted for.

The "items" of time and materials for each branch of the work are fully entered, and set forth in the bill of particulars, containing about 300 specific charges.

The entire system of yard closets was changed, all the old closets—save one in the southeast corner of the yard—were removed, and seven entire new closets were built, having an aggregate length of 140 feet; the net cost of the cast-iron sinks alone being over \$800.

The foundation walls are of sufficient depth to allow a subterranean passage to be made under the sinks, so as to get at the pipes without taking up flagging and excavating whenever any repairs may be needed. Other improvements were made in construction which, while they added considerable to the first cost, will, upon examination, satisfy every one of the benefits to be derived therefrom.

The galvanized pipes of various sizes used for ventilating, &c., exceeded in the aggregate over 1,200 lineal feet.

Sheds, with roofs of tin, were built from the several outside doors, extending to and around the closets.

The places formerly occupied by the "old closets" were filled up, and the entire yards graded and flagged.

A new brick wall was built in the front yard, separating the sexes, and a new entrance doorway, including stoop, gate, etc., in iron railing was provided on the front, at the easterly end of wall.

The foregoing, and many minor items, such as will always accompany such work as has been named, explain as nearly as may be—without a personal explanation—the whys and wherefores of the charges in the bill under consideration.

The work has been examined, and the quantity of materials computed, and from the result it appears that the bill is correct; the cost of labor in these days may be complained of, but it is a hard thing to determine as to just how much time was taken, or used, in doing any particular piece or quantity of work. But as before stated, that the Contractor, in performing what was required of him under his contract, "with a promptness and fidelity worthy of all praise," we feel assured that the bill is a proper one, and should be paid.

The resolution found on page 203 of the Journal is therefore presented for adoption, the Finance Committee having reported, on page 320 of the Journal, the financial ability of the Board to pay this bill.

The system, or method, under which the work represented by the bill under consideration, is the same as has been practiced for more than twenty years; in one case the bill for "extras" was \$3,462.10.

That a better plan may be adopted for the future, a resolution referring the matter to the By-Law Committee is also submitted.

The following resolutions are recommended for adoption :

1. *Resolved*, That the sum of eight thousand two hundred and eighty-six $\frac{72}{100}$ dollars (\$8,286.72) be, and the same is

hereby appropriated from the Special Fund apportioned in 1884, for "purchasing and procuring sites for and erecting new buildings, and for fitting up the same, * * * and for additions, enlargements and improvements of present school buildings," in payment of the bill of Thomas Cockerill, for extra work done in connection with his contract for erecting an addition to Grammar School No. 33, in the Twentieth Ward, duly authorized by this Board; said bill to be paid in accordance with the rules of this Board governing payments.

2. *Resolved*, That the Committee on By-Laws, &c., be requested to report to this Board a by-law, regulating the action of the Trustees of the several Wards, and the Superintendent of School Buildings, in incurring additional expense to this Board, in what is known as "extra work," in connection with contract work, done by authority of this Board.

Respectfully submitted,

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
DAVID WETMORE,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		
G. SCHWAB,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		

Laid over under the rule.

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, relative to the application of the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, to pay Mrs. Sarah E. Halley \$26.33 for care of premises of G. S. No. 18, from May 21st to 31st; stating, that Michael F. Halley, the Janitor, died on May 21st, and his salary has been paid to that date.

Mrs. Sarah E. Halley, his widow, performed the duties of the position from the date of his death to May 31, and should be paid the balance of the salary for the month, amounting to \$23.70.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption:

Resolved, That Mrs. Sarah E. Halley be paid the sum of twen-

ty-three $\frac{70}{100}$ dollars (\$23.70), from the appropriation for the salaries of Janitors, for the care of premises of Grammar School No. 18, from May 21st to 31st, 1885.

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
DAVID WETMORE,		
R. M. GALLAWAY.		
G. SCHWAB,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner KELLY presented a report from the Finance Committee, on the ability of the Board to appropriate \$62,181 for repairs, &c., to the school buildings, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Finance Committee, to whom were referred the communications from the School Trustees of the several Wards, as named in resolution, relative to the award of contracts made by them for repairs to buildings and furniture, and for new furniture, respectfully report, that the advertisements inviting proposals for doing this work, as authorized by the Board, were duly made, and in response in each case several bids were received, from among which the Trustees have made their selections, and in nearly all have accepted the lowest bidder ; when not doing so, they have been governed by the rule of the Board requiring awards to be made to the lowest responsible bidder, or by the character of the article or material offered. The only exception to this rule of any consequence is in the award made by the Trustees of the Tenth Ward for repairs required in Primary School Building No. 1, which was for the sum of \$2,325, instead of one of the proposed lower sums ; no good reason being given for this, your Committee have changed this award to a proposal for \$1,887, the person submitting it having done satisfactory work for the Board, and is considered sufficiently responsible for this contract.

The only proposal made for furniture and repairs in Grammar School building No. 35, was withdrawn, caused by alleged obscurity in the specifications.

The Board has the ability to appropriate the sum of these awards, which is \$62,181. A resolution authorizing the required appropriation is submitted for adoption.

Resolved, That the sum of sixty-two thousand one hundred and eighty-one dollars (\$62,181) be and the same is hereby appropriated from the Reserve Fund, for the purposes named herein and in the sums specified for each, viz.:

WARD.	SCHOOL.	CHARACTER OF WORK.	NAME OF CONTRACTOR.	AMOUNT.
4.	G. S. 1.	Repairing and painting....	Jacob Brown.....	\$558 00
5.	do 44.	do	Mahony Bros.....	534 00
6.	do 23.	do	do	545 00
6.	do 24.	New seats, etc.....	A. H. Andrews & Co..	228 00
7.	do 31.	Alterations, etc.....	Frank Mitchell.....	13,311 00
7.	do 2.	Furniture and repairs of..	Nathaniel Johnson....	357 00
7.	do 31.	Desks and seats.....	do	573 00
7.	do 31.	New furniture.....	H. J. Fitzpatrick & Co.	1,950 00
7.	do 12.	Desks and seats.....	Nathaniel Johnson....	170 00
7.	do 12.	Repairing furniture.....	H. J. Fitzpatrick & Co.	495 00
7.	P. S. 36.	do	Nathaniel Johnson....	345 00
9.	G. S. 13.	do	J. W. Jones.....	493 00
9.	do 3.	Mineral case.....	Nathaniel Johnson....	50 00
9.	do 3.	Furniture.....	A. H. Andrews & Co..	310 00
9.	do 16.	Repairing and painting....	J. W. Jones.....	377 00
9.	do 41.	do	do	655 00
9.	do 41.	Repairs of furniture.....	Nathaniel Johnson....	582 00
9.	do 41.	Desks and seats.....	A. H. Andrews & Co..	155 00
10.	do 20.	Repairing and painting....	Edward Gustaveson..	895 00
10.	do 42.	do	Mahony Bros.....	290 00
10.	P. S. 1.	do	James Colton.....	1,887 00
11.	G. S. 36.	do	Mahony Bros.....	967 00
11.	do 71.	do	Jacob Brown.....	830 00
11.	P. S. 5.	do	do	245 00
13.	do 34.	do	Hugh Nesbitt.....	1,795 00
13.	do 34.	Furniture and repairs of..	A. H. Andrews & Co..	345 00
13.	P. S. 20.	Repairing and painting....	Hugh Nesbitt.....	1,385 00
13.	do 20.	Furniture and repairs of..	R. & R. H. Paton.....	419 00
13.	do 40.	Repairing and painting....	Hugh Nesbitt.....	625 00
14.	G. S. 15.	do ...	John Smart.....	708 00
14.	do 21.	do	Wm. H. Housner, Jr.	420 00
15.	do 10.	do	J. W. Jones.....	847 00
15.	do 35.	do	do	2,470 00
15.	do 35.	Desks and seats.....	A. H. Andrews & Co..	760 00
15.	do 47.	Repairing and painting....	J. W. Jones.....	1,022 00
15.	do 47.	Furniture and repairs of..	Jas. H. Paton.....	918 00

WARD.	SCHOOL	CHARACTER OF WORK.	NAME OF CONTRACTOR.	AMOUNT.
16.	G. S. 11.	Repairing and painting....	J. W. Jones.....	896 00
16.	do 45.	do	do	1,449 00
16.	do 45.	New Furniture.....	A. H. Andrews & Co..	363 00
16.	do 56.	Repairing and painting...	J. W. Jones.....	1,771 00
16.	do 56.	Repairing furniture... ..	Jas. H. Paton.....	218 00
17.	do 13.	Repairing and painting ...	James Colton.....	1,232 00
17.	do 19.	do	Wm. H. Housner, Jr.	673 00
17.	do 25.	do	do	724 00
17.	do 79.	Desks and seats.....	A. H. Andrews & Co..	2,100 00
17.	do 79.	New furniture and repairs of	R. & R. H. Paton....	2,106 00
17.	P. S. 26.	Repairing and painting...	Thomas Falvey.....	349 00
18.	G. S. 40.	do	Fred'k M. Cornell....	870 00
18.	do 40.	Repairing furniture.....	H. J. Fitzpatrick & Co.	475 00
18.	do 50.	Repairing and painting...	Cooper & Weed.....	645 00
18.	do 50.	Furniture	Jas. H. Paton.....	309 00
18.	P. S. 28.	Repairing and painting...	Cooper & Weed.....	310 00
18.	do 29.	do	J. W. Jones.....	339 00
20.	G. S. 26.	Repairing and painting....	Rob't Macbeth.....	959 00
19.	do 18.	Desks and seats... ..	A. H. Andrews & Co..	263 00
19.	do 18.	Furniture and repairs of..	Nathaniel Johnson ...	600 00
19.	do 53.	Repairing and painting....	Jas. H. Brady.....	1,440 00
19.	do 53.	Furniture work	H. J. Fitzpatrick & Co.	675 00
19.	do 59.	Repairing and painting....	Jacob Brown.....	1,425 00
19.	do 74.	do	do	771 00
21.	do 14.	do	William Hepburn....	2,254 00
22.	G. S. 58.	do	Patrick Burns.	450 00
Total.....				\$62,181 00

But no part of said money to be paid until the School Trustees of the several Wards named shall have duly filed the contracts to be entered into by them with the parties to whom the awards are made, who are also designated herein, together with such security for the faithful performance of the same as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee, nor until the usual requirements as to the form of the contracts and the payments to be made on account thereof are complied with.

Respectfully submitted,

EUGENE KELLY,

FERDINAND TRAUD,

STEPHEN A. WALKER,

For presentation,

}Finance
Committee.

Laid over under the rule.

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

Commissioner KELLY presented a report from the Finance Committee, on the financial ability of the Board to appropriate \$41,077.50 for heating apparatus, &c., as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Finance Committee, to whom was referred the several communications from the Trustees of the Sixth, Seventh, Tenth, Thirteenth, Fourteenth, Sixteenth, Seventeenth, Nineteenth, Twentieth and Twenty-second Wards, submitting the awards of contracts made by them for heating apparatus, proposals for which were, by authority of the Board, invited by advertisements in the usual form, and inserted for the usual time, report, that in the proposals made to the Sixth and Fourteenth Wards, a bid for each was rejected for informality, and in those made to the Thirteenth Ward, one was withdrawn at the time the bids were opened. With these exceptions, the awards are made in every instance to the lowest bidders and to parties deemed to be amply responsible.

The Board has the financial ability to appropriate the money required for these awards, and a resolution is submitted for adoption authorizing such appropriation :

Resolved, That the sum of forty-one thousand and seventy-seven $\frac{50}{100}$ dollars (\$41,077.50) be and the same is hereby appropriated from the Reserve Fund, for heating work, and in the sums specified for each, viz. :

WARD.	SCHOOL.	CHARACTER OF WORK.	NAME OF CONTRACTOR.	AMOUNTS.
6.	G. S. 23.	Steam heating apparatus..	Gillis & Geoghegan..	\$3,500 00
6.	P. S. 8.	do. do. do. ..	do. do. ..	3,450 00
7.	G. S. 31.	do. do. do. ..	do. do. ..	5,660 00
10.	do. 75.	Alterations and repairs of steam heating apparatus.	Carraher & Co.....	493 00
13.	do. 34.	Alterations and repairs of steam heating apparatus.	Jamer, Jacobs & Co..	962 50
14.	do. 21.	Steam heating apparatus..	John Neal & Co.....	5,883 00
16.	do. 11.	do. do. do. ..	Rutzler & Blake.....	6,067 00
17.	P. S. 26.	do. do. do. ..	do. do.	3,825 00
17.	do. 9.	Altering and enlarging steam heating apparatus.	do, do.	3,331 00

WARD.	SCHOOL.	CHARACTER OF WORK.	NAME OF CONTRACTOR.	AMOUNTS.
20.	G. S. 33.	Altering, &c., steam heating apparatus.....	do. do.	662 00
20.	do. 32.	Steam heating apparatus..	Gillis & Geoghegan...	3,575 00
22.	do. 67.	do. do. do. ..	Rutzler & Blake.....	3,669 00
Total.....				<u>\$41,077 50</u>

But no part of said money to be paid until the School Trustees of the several Wards herein named shall have duly filed the contracts to be entered into by them with the parties to whom the awards are made, who are also designated herein, together with such security for the faithful performance of the same as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee, nor until the usual requirements as to the form of the contracts and the payments to be made on account thereof are complied with.

Respectfully submitted,

EUGENE KELLY,
FERDINAND TRAUD,
DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,
For presentation only.

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*Finance
Committee.*

Laid over under the rule.

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

Commissioner KELLY presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, relative to their award for the furniture required for the new building No. 82, now in course of erection on East Seventieth street and First avenue; stating, that, in answer to the usual advertisement inviting proposals, three bids were received for the materials, etc., required in the specifications designated as Part I—amounts, \$2,200; \$2,485, and \$2,750. The award is for the lowest sum, \$2,200, proposed by Nathaniel Johnson.

For Part II, twelve bids were received, ten of them from A. H. Andrews & Co., for different styles of furniture; the

lowest of these is \$3,075, and the highest, \$4,490 ; which is for the " National Study Easel, folding-lid and improved Book-box " desk and seat, a generally preferred article ; the other bids are \$4,800, and for an ordinary desk, \$1,654.80. The award is made to A. H. Andrews & Co., for \$4,490.

The Committee concur in these awards, and submit a resolution appropriating the sum required for these contracts from the " Bond Account," the Board having the ability to do so :

Resolved, That the sum of six thousand six hundred and ninety dollars (\$6,690) be, and the same is hereby appropriated from the Fund derived from the sale of " School House Bonds " for the purposes named herein, and in the sums specified for each, viz.:

For furnishing Grammar School Building No. 82,
per specifications designated as Part One, Na-
thaniel Johnson, Contractor..... \$2,200

For furnishing Grammar School Building No. 82,
per specification, designated as Part Two, A. H.
Andrews & Co., Contractors..... \$4,490

But no part of said money to be paid until the School Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward shall have duly filed the contracts to be entered into by them with the parties to whom the awards are made, as designated herein, together with such security for the faithful performance of the same as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee, nor until the usual requirements as to the form of the contracts and the payments to be made on account thereof are complied with.

EUGENE KELLY,	} <i>Finance Committee.</i>
FERDINAND TRAUD,	
STEPHEN A. WALKER,	
For presentation.	

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner KELLY presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom were referred the reports of the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, requesting an appropriation of \$12,000 " for annual cleaning and repairing of the heating ap-

paratus in all the school buildings," and an appropriation of \$10,000 "for improving the sanitary condition of the several school buildings;" and also, the report of the Committee on School Furniture, requesting an appropriation of \$5,000, "for the purchase of new furniture, and the repairs of furniture;" stating, that the appropriations required for the contract work are so large in amount as to prevent the appropriation in full of these sums. The amount reserved from the School Fund for the year was only \$163,500, and from this there has already been appropriated \$18,880, besides payments therefrom for inspection of buildings, &c., of \$4,200, leaving for similar payments, and for the appropriations for contract work, presented at this meeting, and for all future contingencies, only about \$140,000. The contract work presented and estimated for, from bids made but not confirmed, will amount to \$113,000.

Under those circumstances, the Committee deem it prudent to recommend that the appropriations which are additional to the sum required for contracts, asked for by these Committees, be reduced to such an amount as will insure the ability of the Board to meet them, say \$4,000 from the sum named, for improving sanitary matters, and \$2,000 from the sum named for "new furniture and repairs of furniture." With these reductions the Committee venture to report ability to appropriate the reduced sums. The report of the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, submitting for appropriation the sum of \$12,000, is on page 394 of the Journal.

The report of the same Committee submitting for appropriation the sum of \$10,000, is on page 442 of the Journal, which it is proposed to reduce to \$6,000.

The report of the Committee on School Furniture, submitting the sum of \$5,000 for appropriation, is on pages 377, 378 of the Journal, which it is proposed to reduced to \$3,000.

EUGENE KELLY, FERDINAND TRAUD, STEPHEN A. WALKER, For presentation,	} <i>Finance Committee.</i>
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Laid over under the rule.

BY THE PRESIDENT.

The PRESIDENT announced the Schedule of Groups of Schools for Visitation by Commissioners, from July 1 to December 31, 1885.

Ordered, That the usual number be printed for the use of the Commissioners, and entered in full in the minutes.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion—

The Board adjourned.

LAWRENCE D. KIERNAN,

Clerk.

the contract to be entered into by them with John McKim & Son, to whom the award is made, together with such security for the faithful performance of the same as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee, nor until the usual requirements as to the form of contract and the payments to be made on account thereof are complied with.

EUGENE KELLY,	} <i>Finance</i>
DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,	
STEPHEN A. WALKER,	
	<i>Committee.</i>

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board should adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—14.

Commissioner WOOD moved that the Board adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Finance Committee, to appropriate \$8,400 for iron railings, &c., around the Normal College buildings.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board should adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the negative, two-thirds not voting therefor, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Schwab, Seligman, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—11.

Nays—Commissioners Crawford, Devoe and Schmitt—3.

Commissioner WOOD presented a report from the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, in the matter of the organization of Grammar School No. 83 ; stating, that the building of G. S. No. 83 is made to accommodate a Grammar and Fixed Primary Departments.

The Primary Department has already been organized in the ranch building of Grammar School No. 72, corner One Hundred and Fifth street and Third avenue, which by resolution of the Board adopted December 30, 1884, (Journal. p. 1025,) is to

WEDNESDAY, JULY 8, 1885.

STATED SESSION.

Present—STEPHEN A. WALKER, Esq., President, and Commissioners CRARY, CRAWFORD, DEVOE, GALLAWAY, HOLT, KELLY, PERKINS, SCHMITT, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, WALLACE, WETMORE and WOOD—14.

Absent—Commissioners BELL, POMEROY, SIMMONS, TAMSEN, TRAUD, VERMILYE and WELCH.—7.

On motion of Commissioner WOOD—

Commissioners TAMSEN and VERMILYE were excused for absence from this meeting of the Board.

The PRESIDENT announced for consideration the minutes of the session held on July 1.

Commissioner SCHWAB moved that they be amended as follows :

Amend page 528—

7th Ward, G. S. 31.—“ New furniture,” should read “ New furniture and repairs of.”

7th Ward, P. S. 36.—“ Repairing furniture,” should read “ New furniture and repairs of.”

9th Ward, G. S. 13.—Should read “ G. S. 3.”

13th Ward, G. S. 34.—“ Furniture and repairs of,” should read “ Desks and Seats.”

14th Ward, G. S. 15.—Should read “ G. S. 5.”

Commissioner DEVOE moved that page 522 be amended by striking out of the ninth line from the top of the page the word “ his,” and inserting so as to read “ the contract.”

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the session held on July 1st, as printed in the Journal, and amended, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners CARY, CRAWFORD, DEVOE, GALLAWAY, HOLT, KELLY, PERKINS, SCHMITT, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, WETMORE and WOOD—13.

Commissioner WOOD moved that the Fifteenth Rule of Order be suspended during this session of the Board.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Wetmore and Wood—13.

COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Trustees of the Fourth, Sixth, Tenth, Seventeenth, Eighteenth, Twentieth, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, asking to excuse the absence of teachers, &c.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power conferred by the by-laws.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, making awards of the contracts for repairs, painting, furniture, &c., as follows :

For repairs and painting, G. S. No. 37, to Thomas Falvey, for \$1,649 ;

For repairs and painting, G. S. No. 39, to Edward Gustavsen, for \$1,915 ;

For repairs and painting, G. S. No. 54, to James E. Poole, for \$1,844 ;

For new furniture and repairs, G. S. No. 37, to H. J. Fitzpatrick & Co., for \$620 ;

For new furniture and repairs, G. S. No. 39, to H. J. Fitzpatrick & Co., for \$425 ;

For new desks and seats, G. S. No. 54, to A. H. Andrews & Co., for \$740 ;

For new furniture, G. S. No. 54, to H. J. Fitzpatrick & Co., for \$195 ;

For repairing furniture, G. S. No. 68, to H. J. Fitzpatrick & Co., for \$430 ;

And asking for an appropriation of \$7,848 for said purposes.
Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, making award of the contract for removing rocks and earth, and grading the site on Lexington avenue and East Ninety-sixth street, to John McKim & Son, for \$1.65 per cubic yard for rock, and sixty-nine cents per cubic yard for earth.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward, making award of the contract for building a vault, etc., at G. S. No. 35, to James H. Brady, for \$3,724, and asking for an appropriation of that sum for said purposes.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, making award for steam heating apparatus for G. S. No. 82, to Gillis & Geoghegan, for \$6,380, and asking for an appropriation of that amount for said purpose.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, making award of the contract for furniture for G. S. No. 32, as follows :

Part II.—To A. H. Andrews & Co., for Gem.....	\$635
Desk, cherry.....	1,548
and separate seats.....	250
	<hr/> 1,798

and asking for an appropriation of two thousand four hundred and thirty-three dollars, for said purposes.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, asking for an appropriation of \$385 for blasting rock on premises of G. S. No. 32.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, for payment of a bill of James Curran, for repairs to heating apparatus in excess of the by-laws.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, &c.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, to appoint John B. Peacock Janitor of the new building, and asking payment of bill for services.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, to organize P. S. No. 48, as a Branch of G. S. No. 64, instead of P. S. No. 47.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From Wm. L. Turner, Esq., Secretary to the Mayor, transmitting a communication from Commissioner Stephenson as follows :

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, *July 6, 1885.* }

The Honorable Board of Education :

GENTLEMEN—I beg to refer herewith the accompanying letter from Commissioner Stephenson to the Mayor. I am instructed to say that the reasons presented against the proposed consolidation seem to Mr. Grace of considerable weight, and to ask your careful attention to the matter. Will you be kind enough to return the enclosed after the same has been considered.

Respectfully,

WM. L. TURNER,
Chief Clerk.

OFFICE OF COMMISSIONERS OF EMIGRATION,
 CASTLE GARDEN, NEW YORK, *June 29, 1885.* }

HON. WM. R. GRACE :

MY DEAR SIR—I notice in the *Times* of Sunday that Superintendent JASPER recommends the Board of Education to consolidate several of the Primary Schools of the City, among which is the Emigrant School at Ward's Island. This means the closing up of that school. I trust no such action will be taken so far as relates to our Emigrant School. We cannot permit the Emigrant children to attend schools in the City : first, because they are not suitably clothed ; second, because they are strangers in our City, and many of them cannot well understand the English language. I regard the Emigrant School on Ward's Island, as one of our greatest charities. It is true, the school is small, but the children are more readily taught to speak and understand the language than if the school were larger. The expense to the City is only the salary of two teachers ; all other expenses are met by the Commission. I am confined to my house by an accident, or I should have called on you in person. The Board of Education is to take some action on this subject at the meeting on Wednesday. I will thank you to take the matter into consideration, and act as in your judgment may deem best.

Very truly yours,

E. STEPHENSON,
Chairman Ward's Island Com.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes.

From R. G. BEARDSLEE, Esq., Counsel to the Board, relative to School House Bonds, as follows :

106 BROADWAY, }
 July 8, 1885. }

SIR,—In view of the fact that the Act of 1884 relating to the issue of "School House Bonds," was amended by the Act of

1885, referred to in my communication of the 24th ultimo, (see Journal, page 477), I think it would be advisable to make an application to the Comptroller for the issue of bonds under the provisions of said act as amended, and suggest that a resolution be adopted in the following form :

“ Resolved, That in pursuance of the provisions of Chapter 458 of the Laws of 1884, as amended by Chapter 494 of the Laws of 1885, the Board of Education of the City of New York hereby makes application to the Comptroller of said city for the issue of bonds to the amount of one million dollars (\$1,000,000), being a part of the amount authorized, by said act as so amended, to be issued, said Board reserving the right to apply hereafter for the residue thereof ; the proceeds of said bonds to be appropriated for the purposes mentioned in said act as so amended.”

I would also suggest that the matter be referred to a Committee, with power to take such action as may be deemed proper.

Very respectfully, yours,

R. G. BEARDSLEE.

LAWRENCE D. KIERNAN, Esq.,

Clerk of the Board of Education.

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes.

Commissioner DEVOE moved that the recommendations of the Counsel to the Board be adopted by the Board.

Carried.

The CHAIR appointed as such Special Committee, Commissioners DEVOE, GALLAWAY and HOLT.

From Porter & Coates, asking that several books be added to the list of supplies.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From Van Antwerp, Bragg & Co., asking that several books be added to the list of supplies.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From Frederic N. Dodge, agent, asking that Harpers' Cyclopedia of United States History be added to the list of supplies.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From Theodore F. Seward, asking that his musical work on the Tonic Sol Fa system be added to the list of supplies.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From Wm. B. Pettit, a bill for extra work under his contract for the addition to G. S. No. 32, removing rock, &c., amounting to \$385.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

RESOLUTIONS TO BE REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Commissioner SELIGMAN offered the following :

Whereas, The introduction into our Public Schools of so-called " Technical or Industrial Education " would, if possible, be a marked gain for our system—

Resolved, That the Special Committee on Technical Education be, and are hereby requested to present on or before the second meeting in October, 1885, the result of their investigations and deliberations. so that the matter may then come up for discussion before the Board of Education.

Adopted.

REPORTS LAID OVER UNDER THE RULE.

The PRESIDENT announced for consideration the report of the Auditing Committee, relative to electric lights for the Evening High School, *Journal*, pp. 372, 373, 412. P. 481. P. 509.

15. On all stock and material furnished, including all articles of Stationery not obtained on previous estimate; also, Books, Blank Books, Drawing Materials, Ruling, Numbering, Perforating, Binding, and other extraneous work, etc., embraced in any order :

25 per cent. advance on *net cost price* for cash to the trade, when furnished to the amount of not more than \$10 for one kind of goods on the same order.

20 per cent. for one kind from \$10 to \$25.

15 " for one kind from \$25 to \$50.

12½ " for one kind from \$50 to \$100.

10 " for one kind from \$100 to \$500.

5 " for one kind over \$500.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented a report from the Auditing Committee; stating, that they have examined the accompanying bills, and believing the items thereof to be correct, and the charges reasonable, recommend their payment by the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the following named bills be, and they hereby are approved for payment :

Samuel G. French, moving coal scales Jan. 6	
to April 14, 1885.....	\$46 50
The Evening Post Job Printing Office,	
Printing Miscellaneous, Blanks, etc.,	
June 1 to 30, '85.....	\$102 20
The Evening Post Job Printing Office,	
Printing Minutes of May 20, June	
3 and 17; Miscellaneous, Blanks, etc.,	
June 1 to 30, '85.....	438 72
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	540 92
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HENRY SCHMITT,	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
H. B. PERKINS,	
DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,	
W. B. WALLACE,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Holt, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—11.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom were referred applications from the Trustees of the Fourth, Thirteenth and Twentieth Wards, to excuse the absence of teachers, with full pay ; stating, that the cause of absence in each case reported herein is personal illness.

A statement is submitted, showing the record of each applicant for the past five years.

The Committee recommend that the absences be excused, with full pay, for the "Time allowed," in the following resolution, which is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the following named teachers be excused for absence, with full pay, for the " Time allowed " herein :

WARD.	School.	Name.	Time Allowed.	Years of Service.	Instruction.	Discipline.	No. Days Lost.	Exc. with full pay.
4th.M. D.	1.	Letitia Fitzgerald.....	{ April 6 } to May 6 }	26	Good.....	Ex.....	3	.....
13th.M. D.	4.	Mary A. Fitch.....	22 d. June	17	{ Good....4 y..... } { Ex.....1 y,Ex..... }		11	.....
20th.G. D.	48.	Martha A. Gilbert.....	{ 2 d. April, 19 d. May, } 3 d. June. }	30	{ Good....1 y..... } { Ex.....4 y.Ex..... }		15	.....

DAVID WETMORE,
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,
WILLIAM WOOD,
EUGENE KELLY,

}

Committee
on
Teachers.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Holt, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—11.

Commissioner SCHMITT moved that said report be laid over for consideration in connection with the report of the Finance Committee on said subject.

Which was adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, adverse to paying Mrs. Emma T. Kilmer for services as acting Principal of F. D. G. S. No. 8, Journal, pp. 389, 415, 416. P. 481. P. 509.

On motion of Commissioner SCHMITT said report was laid over, and to retain its place on the schedule.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Evening Schools, appointing instructors for the Evening High School, Journal, pp. 518, 519.

Commissioner WOOD moved that the name of Wm. J. Kennard be substituted for that of John Harmon.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Devoe, Holt, Schwab, Seligman, Wetmore and Wood—7.

Nays—Commissioners Crary, Gallaway, Kelly, Perkins, Schmitt and Wallace—6.

Commissioner CRAWFORD asked to be and was excused from voting.

Commissioner SCHMITT moved to lay the report on the table. Which was adopted.

Commissioner SCHMITT moved to discharge the Committee on By-Laws, &c., from the further consideration of the amendment to sec. 108 of the by-laws, Journal, pp. 517, 518.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner SCHMITT moved that the amendment to sec. 108, found on pages 517 and 518 of the Journal, be adopted.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Gallaway, Kelly, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—11.

Nays—Commissioners Crawford, Devoe, and Holt—3.

Commissioner SCHMITT moved that the report of the Committee on Evening Schools be taken from the table.

Which was adopted.

Commissioner SCHMITT called for a division of the question.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, a majority not voting therefor, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Gallaway, Kelly, Perkins, Schmitt and Wallace—7.

Nays—The PRESIDENT and Commissioners Devoe, Holt, Schwab, Seligman, Wetmore and Wood—7.

Commissioner SCHMITT moved that said resolution be laid on the table.

Which was lost.

Commissioner CRAWFORD moved that the name of John Harmon be substituted for that of Wm. J. Goldey.

Which was lost.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt the first resolution attached to the report of the Committee, appointing instructors for the Evening High School, as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—14.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the second resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on

Evening Schools, appointing principals for Female Evening Schools No. 13 and 19, Journal, p. 520.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolutions attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—14.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Buildings, relative to the bill of Thomas Cockerill, for extra work on G. S. No. 33, Journal, pp. 522–526.

Commissioner WOOD moved that said report be referred back to the Committee, with instructions to report at the first meeting in September, and that the Superintendent of School Buildings be required to state on what authority said work was done.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Buildings, to pay Mrs. Sarah E. Halley, for services in care of G. S. No. 18, Journal, pp. 526, 527.

Commissioner DEVOE moved that the resolution be amended as follows:

Strike out the words and figures “twenty-three 1⁷/₁₀% dollars (\$23.70)” on the last line of page 526, and first line of page 527, and insert in lieu thereof “sixty 1⁵/₁₀% dollars (\$60.57)”; and also, strike out the figures “31st” in the third line of page 527, and insert, “June 15th.”

Which was adopted.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—14.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Finance Committee, appropriating \$62,181, for repairs, &c., Journal, pp. 527-529.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, found on pages 528, 529 of the Journal, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—14.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Finance Committee, appropriating \$41,077 for heating apparatus, etc., Journal, pages 530, 531.

Commissioner SCHWAB offered the following as a substitute for the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, found on pages 530, 531 of the Journal :

Resolved, That the sum of twenty-seven thousand seven hundred and ninety-four $\frac{1}{2}$ dollars (\$27,794.50) be, and the same is hereby appropriated from the "Reserve Fund," for heating apparatus as named herein, and in the sums specified for each; and that the sum of three thousand five hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$3,575) be, and the same is also hereby appropriated from the proceeds of School House Bonds for the steam heating apparatus required for the new building being erected for the use of Grammar School No. 32, in the Twentieth Ward, viz.:

WARD.	SCHOOL.	CHARACTER OF WORK.	NAME OF CONTRACTOR.	AMOUNT.
6.	G. S. 23.	Steam heating apparatus.	Gillis & Geoghegan.	\$3,500 00
6.	P. S. 8.	do. do. do.	do. do.	3,450 00
7.	G. S. 31.	do. do. do.	do. do.	5,660 00
10.	do. 75.	Alterations and repairs of steam heating apparatus.....	Carraher & Co.....	493 00
13.	do. 34.	Alterations and repairs of steam heating apparatus.....	Jamer, Jacobs & Co..	962 50
16.	do. 11.	Steam heating apparatus.	Rutzler & Blake.....	6,087 00

WARD.	SCHOOL.	CHARACTER OF WORK.	NAME OF CONTRACTOR.		AMOUNT.
17.	do.	9. Altering and enlarging steam heating apparatus.....	do.	do.	3,331 00
20.	G. S. 33.	Altering, &c., steam heating apparatus.....	do.	do.	662 00
22.	do.	67. Steam heating apparatus..	do.	do.	3,669 00
Total.....					<u>\$27,794 50</u>

WARD.	SCHOOL.	CHARACTER OF WORK.	NAME OF CONTRACTOR.	AMOUNT.
20.	G. S. 32.	} Steam heating appa- ratus.....	Gillis & Geoghegan,	\$3,575 00
	New bu'ld g.		} From Bond Account,	

But no part of said money to be paid until the School Trustees of the several Wards herein named shall have duly filed the contracts to be entered into by them with the parties to whom the awards are made, who are also designated herein, together with such security for the faithful performance of the same as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee, nor until the usual requirements as to the form of the contracts and the payments to be made on account thereof are complied with.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would substitute the resolution offered by Commissioner SCHWAB for the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, pages 530, 531, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—14.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Finance Committee, appropriating \$6,690 for furniture, etc., for G. S. building No. 82, Journal, pages 531, 532.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Finance

Committee, found on page 532 of the Journal, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—14.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Finance Committee, reducing the amount asked for by the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, and Committee on School Furniture, for respective purposes, Journal, pages 532, 533.

Commissioner SCHWAB moved that the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, Journal, page 394, appropriating \$12,000 for repairs to heating apparatus, be adopted.

THE PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—14.

Commissioner SCHWAB moved that the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, found on the Journal, page 442, appropriating \$10,000 for sanitary improvements, be adopted.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—14.

Commissioner SCHWAB moved that the resolutions attached to the report of the Committee on School Furniture, found on pages 377 and 378 of the Journal, appropriating \$5,000 for furniture work, be adopted.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would

adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—14.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner WOOD presented a report from the Committee on Normal College, making the award of contract for altering the iron railing, granite coping, &c., around the Normal College buildings, to Reilley & Deeves, for the sum of \$8,400, and asking for an appropriation of that amount for said purposes.

WILLIAM WOOD,	} Committee
GUSTAV SCHWAB,	
EUGENE KELLY,	
STEPHEN A. WALKER,	
	on
	Normal
	College.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner KELLY presented a report from the Finance Committee, to appropriate \$9,176 for repairs, &c., and for furniture for sundry schools, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communications from the Trustees of the Twelfth and Twenty-third Wards, in relation to the awards of contracts made by them for repairs and furniture required for buildings in their respective Wards, report, that in answer to the usual advertisements for proposals, several bids were received for each kind of work, and that from among them the Trustees have selected the lowest sums named, except for the furniture required for Grammar School No. 54, they having in this case selected, as usual, the article deemed the best. The awards are concurred in by your Committee, and the Board having the financial ability, a resolution authorizing an appropriation of the sums required for these awards is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the sum of ninety-one hundred and seventy-six

dollars (\$9,176), be and the same is, hereby appropriated from the " Reserve Fund," for the purposes named herein, and in the sums specified for each, viz. :

WARD.	SCHOOL	CHARACTER OF WORK.	NAME OF CONTRACTOR.	AMOUNT.
12.	G. S.	37. Repairs and painting..	Thomas Falvey.....	\$1,649 00
12.	do	39. do ..	Edward Gustavesen....	1,945 00
12.	do	54. do ..	James E. Poole.....	1,844 00
12.	do	37. Furniture and repairs of.	H. J. Fitzpatrick & Co..	620 00
12.	do	39. do .	H. J. Fitzpatrick & Co..	425 00
12.	do	54. New desks and seats....	A. H. Andrews & Co..	740 00
12.	do	54. Furniture and repairs of.	H. J. Fitzpatrick & Co..	195 00
12.	do	68. Repairing furniture....	H. J. Fitzpatrick & Co..	430 00
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				\$7,848 00
23.	G. S.	60. Repairs and painting..	Cooper & Weed.....	388 00
23.	P. S.	44. do ..	Cooper & Weed.....	940 00
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				\$1,328 00
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Total....				<u>\$9,176 00</u>

But no part of said money to be paid until the School Trustees of the several Wards named shall have duly filed the contracts to be entered into by them with the parties to whom the awards are made, who are also designated herein, together with such security for the faithful performance of the same as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee, nor until the usual requirements as to the form of the contracts and the payments to be made on account thereof are complied with.

Respectfully submitted,

EUGENE KELLY,
DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,
STEPHEN A WALKER,

*Finance
Committee.*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—14.

The **PRESIDENT** called Commissioner **CRARY** to the Chair.

Commissioner **KELLY** presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report from the Committee on Normal College, making an award of contract for "Altering Iron Railing, Granite Coping, Flagging, etc., around the Normal College buildings," to Reilley & Deeves for \$8,400, being the lowest bid of three received in answer to the advertisement; stating, that they concur in the award, and offer a resolution in accordance therewith, appropriating the money from the Special Fund of 1884, by authority of the resolution of this Board, per Journal pages 1,020 and 1,021 of 1881.

Resolved, That the sum of eighty-four hundred dollars (\$8,400) be and the same is, hereby appropriated from the Special Fund of 1884, apportioned "for purchasing and procuring sites for, and erecting new buildings * * * and for additions, enlargements and improvements of present school buildings," for altering iron railing, granite coping, flagging, etc., around the Normal College buildings; but no part of said money to be paid until the Committee on Normal College shall have duly filed the contract to be entered into by them with Reilley & Deeves, together with satisfactory security for the faithful performance of the same.

EUGENE KELLY, DE WITT J. SELIGMAN, STEPHEN A. WALKER.	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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Commissioner **KELLY** moved that said report be laid on the table.

Which was lost.

The **PRESIDENT** *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the negative, two-thirds not voting therefor, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Crary, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—10.

Nays Commissioners Crawford, Devoe and Kelly—3.

Commissioner KELLY moved that said vote be reconsidered.
Which was adopted.

Commissioner KELLY presented a report from the Finance Committee, on the award of contract for heating apparatus for G. S. No. 82, and appropriating \$5,776 for said purposes, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, submitting the proposals received by them in answer to their advertisement, made as usual, for the heating apparatus required for the new building No. 82, report, that three bids were received. Amounts \$6,380, \$6,000 and \$5,776. The award by the Trustees is for the highest sum, \$6,380, to Gillis & Geoghegan, a highly responsible firm ; the lowest bid is by Rutzler & Blake. From all that your Committee can learn, this latter firm is also responsible, and from the recommendations and testimonials presented, may be relied upon for the execution of their contracts, and for satisfactory workmanship. Your Committee, therefore, submit for adoption the resolution annexed. The Board has the financial ability to appropriate the sum named, and a resolution is submitted authorizing it :

Resolved, That the sum of five thousand, seven hundred and seventy-six dollars (\$5,776) be, and the same is hereby appropriated from the fund derived from the sale of School House Bonds, for the heating apparatus required for Grammar School building No. 82, but no part of said money to be paid until the School Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward shall have duly filed the contract to be entered into by them with Rutzler & Blake, to whom the contract is awarded, together with such security for the faithful performance of the same, as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee ; nor until the usual require-

ments, as to the form of the contracts, and the payments on account thereof are complied with.

Respectfully submitted,

EUGENE KELLY, DEWITT J. SELIGMAN, STEPHEN A. WALKER,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—14.

Commissioner KELLY presented a report from the Finance Committee to appropriate \$6,000 for excavating and grading the site at Ninety-sixth street and Lexington avenue ; stating, that in answer to advertisement calling for bids for this purpose two bids were received ; the Trustees selected the lowest, made by John McKim & Son.

For Rock.....	\$1 65 per cubic yard.
For Earth.....	69 “ “

It is estimated that there will be of

Rock, 3,000 cubic yards, which at \$1.65 is	\$4,950 00
Earth, 1,200 “ “ .69 is	828 00

Total.....	\$5,778 00
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The Committee offer for adoption a resolution awarding the contract to the lowest bidder, and appropriating \$6,000 for this purpose, which sum the Superintendent of School Buildings considers will cover the cost.

Resolved, That the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) be and the same is hereby appropriated from the fund derived from the sale of “School House Bonds” for payment of contract for “Removal of Earth, Rock, and grading site on southeast corner of Ninety-sixth street and Lexington avenue ;” but no part of said money to be paid until the School Trustees of the Twelfth Ward shall have duly filed

the contract to be entered into by them with John McKim & Son, to whom the award is made, together with such security for the faithful performance of the same as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee, nor until the usual requirements as to the form of contract and the payments to be made on account thereof are complied with.

EUGENE KELLY, . }
DEWITT J. SELIGMAN, } *Finance*
STEPHEN A. WALKER, } *Committee.*

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—14.

Commissioner WOOD moved that the Board adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Finance Committee, to appropriate \$8,400 for iron railings, &c., around the Normal College buildings.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the negative, two-thirds not voting therefor, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Schwab, Seligman, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—11.

Nays—Commissioners Crawford, Devoe and Schmitt—3.

Commissioner WOOD presented a report from the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, in the matter of the organization of Grammar School No. 83 ; stating, that the building of G. S. No. 83 is made to accommodate a Grammar and Mixed Primary Departments.

The Primary Department has already been organized in the Branch building of Grammar School No. 72, corner One Hundred and Fifth street and Third avenue, which by resolution of the Board adopted December 30, 1884, (Journal. p. 1025,) is to

be transferred to the new building when completed and ready for occupancy.

The Trustees of the Twelfth Ward now propose to organize a Male Grammar Department in this school, when the building shall have been completed, by transferring thereto the Principal, teachers and pupils of Male Department No. 57.

They also propose to organize a Female Grammar Department in Grammar School building No. 57, in place of the Male Department to be transferred.

The Committee concur in the recommendation of the Trustees, and submit for adoption the following resolutions :

Resolved, That the School Trustees of the Twelfth Ward be, and hereby are authorized to organize a Male Grammar Department in Grammar School building No. 83, when completed, by transferring thereto the Principal, teachers and pupils of Male Department of Grammar School No. 57.

Resolved, That upon the transfer of Male Department Grammar School No. 57 to Grammar School Building No. 83, the School Trustees of the Twelfth Ward be, and hereby are authorized to organize in said Grammar School No. 57, a Female Grammar Department.

WILLIAM WOOD,	} Committee on Course of Study, &c.
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	
CHARLES CRARY,	
W. B. WALLACE,	

Commissioner SELIGMAN moved that said report be laid on the table.

Which was lost.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolutions attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crary, Gallaway, Kelly, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Wallace and Wetmore—8.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crawford, Devoe, Holt, Perkins and Wood—6.

The PRESIDENT resumed the chair.

Commissioner KELLY moved that the Board adjourn.

Which was lost.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward to rehire the premises of Grammar School No. 80, No. 252 West Forty-second street; stating, that the lease of these premises will expire on August 15th, next. The Board is at present paying an annual rent of \$2,200 and taxes for these premises, and the Trustees propose to rehire on the same terms.

It is necessary that these premises should be secured for another year, and the Committee submit the following resolution for adoption:

Resolved, That the School Trustees for the Twenty-second Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to rehire the premises No. 252 West Forty-second street, occupied by Grammar School No. 80, for one year from August 15, 1885, at an annual rent of twenty-two hundred dollars (\$2,200) and taxes. The other provisions of the lease applicable to be the same as those now in force.

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
G. SCHWAB,		
DAVID WETMORE,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—14.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, to hire the store and first floor of the premises on southwest corner of Franklin

avenue and One Hundred and Seventieth street, for temporary use of G. S. No. 61; stating, that pending the alterations to be made to the main building of G. S. No. 61, in connection with the erection of an addition to said school, accommodation must be provided for four classes of the Primary Department.

These premises are suitable for the temporary use of these classes, and can be hired for eight months from September 1st, at an *annual* rent of \$600. The fitting up will not be very expensive, by using material on storage in the workshop.

The Committee recommend that the application be granted, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the School Trustees for the Twenty-third Ward be, and hereby are authorized to hire the store and first floor above the store, in premises on southwest corner of Franklin avenue and One Hundred and Seventieth street, for temporary use of Grammar School No. 61, from September 1, 1885, to May 1, 1886, at an *annual* rent of six hundred dollars (\$600). The lease not to be executed until the premises shall have been inspected by the Board of Health, and pronounced by said Board to be in a satisfactory sanitary condition, and the Bureau of Buildings, of the Fire Department have pronounced the means of exit for pupils amply sufficient in case of any sudden emergency.

F. W. DEVOE,	} Committee on Buildings.
G. SCHWAB,	
DAVID WETMORE,	
R. M. GALLAWAY,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—14.

Commissioners Kelly, Seligman and Gallaway, were excused from further attendance at this session of the Board.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, for authority to withdraw the application for sliding doors for Grammar School No. 54, and substitute for it an application for authority to build a wing on the south side of the school ; stating, that the Board has no fund at its disposal with which to make an expenditure of about \$15,000 for erecting a wing to G. S. No. 54.

The Trustees, subsequent to filing this application, met and made an award of contract for placing sliding doors in G. S. No. 54. The Committee therefore recommend that the application be denied, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the application of the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, to withdraw the application to place sliding doors in G. S. No. 54, and substitute therefor an application to build a wing to said school be, and the same is hereby denied.

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
G. SCHWAB,		
DAVID WETMORE,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented a report from the Auditing Committee, to whom was referred the communication of W. J. Lyon, Auditor of Accounts, transmitting a copy of the regulations and schedules of prices for printing, adopted by the Board of *City Record*, recommending that said communication be entered in full in the minutes.

HENRY SCHMITT,	}	<i>Auditing Committee.</i>
H. B. PERKINS,		
DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,		
W. B. WALLACE,		

OFFICE OF THE "CITY RECORD," No. 2 CITY HALL, }
NEW YORK, June 29, 1881.

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THOMAS COSTIGAN,
Supervisor City Record.

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2. Bills (in duplicate) to be rendered with the work, the order to be attached, with a sample of each job, on which (or in the bill) should be stated the number of copies, weight and quality (by its name or mill) of paper, price of composition, presswork, material, ruling and other extras.

3. The bills, after examination of the goods by the Supervisor, as to quantity, quality, etc., will be certified and transmitted to the Department of Finance, where they will be audited and paid, usually within ten days after transmission.

4. When two or more jobs can be readily altered from one to another the cost of such alterations only (not the full charge for composition) will be allowed on the second and subsequent jobs; and when two or more jobs can be advantageously "worked" together they must be so printed as only the actually necessary amount of presswork will be allowed; also when sufficient quantities are required jobs must be set up or electrotyped (whether ordered or not) in as many "duplicates" as can be advantageously used, and the plates, properly packed and marked, are to be delivered in good order to the Supervisor.

5. The City will furnish at its option stereotype or electrotypes plates for forms in frequent use, and only the time necessarily occupied in altering or imposing will be allowed.

6. If type smaller than necessary is used in blanks, or any other work, particularly tabular matter, it will be allowed as though set up in the size in which it would have "come in" without detriment to the job, and all pamphlet and bookwork must be done in such style and type as are best adapted to save cost of execution, and must not be thick-leaded or unnecessarily blanked out, unless specifically so ordered. Good type must in all cases be used. If the proofs show worn or battered letters the matter must be reset without extra charge.

7. Composition and presswork of exceptional jobs, as open work, very short numbers, frequent changes, etc., that cannot be equitably calculated by ordinary measurement or by the token, shall be reckoned on time; all charge for alterations must be verified by the production of the proof sheets. No charge for correction will be allowed, except for alteration from copy, and none for night or holiday work, unless the necessity for it is certified to by the proper authority. In such cases the orders and proofs must be produced when required.

8. Good black ink must be used, and sheets must be thoroughly dried before folding or packing, so as not to set off. High-priced colored inks are not to be used unless specifically ordered.

9. The prices for presswork on pamphlets and books, to include dry-pressing the sheets and delivering them, properly packed up, to the binder when so required.

10. Law cases, points, etc., to be set, regulation style, in regular small pica—not large-faced—solid or single-leaded with six to pica leads, not unnecessarily blanked out. Any departure from this rule must be authorized in the order.

11. As far as possible orders will be issued to parties practically acquainted with and actually engaged in the several branches of business embraced in the orders, and having under their personal control the facilities for executing such orders promptly and in a thoroughly workmanlike manner.

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1. If the number of copies ordered differs from the number contained in only the paper, presswork, ruling and binding shall be added or deducted for the difference.

PRICES.

No. 1. Law cases, points, etc., including composition, paper presswork, binding, etc.—cover to count two pages :

50 copies or less, 90 cents per printed page.

Over 50 and not over 100, \$1.00 per printed page.

For each 50 copies over 100, 10 cents extra per printed page.

2. Composition of ordinary jobs, that can be equitably measured :

85 cents per 1,000 ems, when not more than 20,000 ems.

75 cents per 1,000 ems, when over 20,000 ems.

3. Composition for ordinary jobs, that can be equitably measured, when set in good, unworn script (double small pica and larger to be measured as pica ; smaller than double small pica as small pica), \$1.25 per 1,000 ems.

4. Composition of pamphlets and books (not more than 3 ems to be added to body of page for folio and foot lines) :

80c. per 1,000 ems, when not more than 20,000 ems.

75c. " " between 20,000 and 100,000 ems.

70c. " " 100,000 ems and over.

\$1.50 " " for rule and figure work, i. e., all matter that is necessarily set up in three or more columns. Matter that can be set in one measure to be counted plain.

5. All measurement of matter to be made by a scale of the type used, to be furnished by the party doing the work.

6. 60 per cent. advance for composition or presswork of pamphlets and books necessarily done on holidays and so ordered.

7. 50 per cent. advance for composition or presswork of pamphlets and books necessarily done at night and so ordered.

8. 50c. per hour for time work.

75c. " " night work.

80c. " " holiday work.

9. Presswork on forms larger than super-royal :

\$2.50 per token of 250 impressions, single token.

1.50 " " " two tokens.

1.10 " " " three tokens.

80 " " " over three tokens and
less than ten.

70 " " " ten to nineteen tokens.

60 " " " twenty tokens and over.

10. Presswork on super-royal and larger than flat cap (14x17) :

\$2.00 per token of 250 impressions, single token.

1.25 " " " two tokens.

1.00 " " " three tokens.

75 " " " over three tokens and
less than ten.

60 " " " ten to nineteen tokens.

50 " " " twenty tokens and over.

11. Presswork on forms flat cap (14x17), and smaller :

\$1.10 per token of 250 impressions, single token.

80 " " " two tokens.

70 " " " three tokens.

60 " " " over three and less than
ten tokens.

50 " " " ten to nineteen tokens.

40 " " " twenty tokens and over.

12. Printing (including composition) on envelopes, in black ink :

\$1.00 for 500 or less.

\$1.50 per 1,000.

\$1.00 " " for 5,000 or over.

13. Presswork on cards not larger than Postals :

\$1.00 for 500 or less.

\$1.50 per 1,000.

\$1.00 " " for 5,000 or over.

14. Presswork in colored ink $33\frac{1}{3}$ per cent advance on prices for black.

High-priced or aniline colors to be used only when so specified in order ; and when the former are authorized and used in considerable quantity an extra allowance will be made.

15. On all stock and material furnished, including all articles of Stationery not obtained on previous estimate; also, Books, Blank Books, Drawing Materials, Ruling, Numbering, Perforating, Binding, and other extraneous work, etc., embraced in any order:

25 per cent. advance on *net cost price* for cash to the trade, when furnished to the amount of not more than \$10 for one kind of goods on the same order.

20 per cent. for one kind from \$10 to \$25.

15 " for one kind from \$25 to \$50.

12½ " for one kind from \$50 to \$100.

10 " for one kind from \$100 to \$500.

5 " for one kind over \$500.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented a report from the Auditing Committee; stating, that they have examined the accompanying bills, and believing the items thereof to be correct, and the charges reasonable, recommend their payment by the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the following named bills be, and they hereby are approved for payment:

Samuel G. French, moving coal scales Jan. 6	
to April 14, 1885.....	\$46 50
The Evening Post Job Printing Office,	
Printing Miscellaneous, Blanks, etc.,	
June 1 to 30, '85.....	\$102 20
The Evening Post Job Printing Office,	
Printing Minutes of May 20, June	
3 and 17; Miscellaneous, Blanks, etc.,	
June 1 to 30, '85.....	438 72
	<hr/> 540 92
	<hr/> \$587 42

HENRY SCHMITT,	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
H. B. PERKINS,	
DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,	
W. B. WALLACE,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Holt, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—11.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom were referred applications from the Trustees of the Fourth, Thirteenth and Twentieth Wards, to excuse the absence of teachers, with full pay ; stating, that the cause of absence in each case reported herein is personal illness.

A statement is submitted, showing the record of each applicant for the past five years.

The Committee recommend that the absences be excused, with full pay, for the "Time allowed," in the following resolution, which is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the following named teachers be excused for absence, with full pay, for the "Time allowed" herein :

WARD.	School.	Name.	Time Allowed.	Years of Service.	Instruction.	Discipline.	No. Days Lost.	Exc. with full pay.
4th.M. D.	1.	Letitia Fitzgerald.....	{ April 6 } to May 6 }	26	Good.....	Ex.....	3	.....
13th.M. D.	4.	Mary A. Fitch.....	22 d. June	17	{ Good...4 y..... } { Ex.....1 y.Ex..... }		11	.....
20th.G. D.	48.	Martha A. Gilbert.....	{ 2 d. April, 19 d. May, 3 d. June. }	30	{ Good...1 y..... } { Ex.....4 y.Ex..... }		15	.....

DAVID WETMORE,
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,
WILLIAM WOOD,
EUGENE KELLY,

}

Committee
on
Teachers.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Holt, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—11.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion—

The Board adjourned.

LAWRENCE D. KIERNAN,
Clerk.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1885.

STATED SESSION.

Present—Commissioners CRARY, CRAWFORD, GALLAWAY, HOLT, KELLY, PERKINS, POMEROY, SCHMITT, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, SIMMONS, TRAUD, WALLACE, WELCH, WETMORE and WOOD—16.

Absent—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners BELL, DEVOE, TAMSEN and VERMILYE—5.

In the absence of the PRESIDENT the meeting was called to order by the Clerk.

On motion of Commissioner PERKINS, Commissioner CRAWFORD was called to the Chair.

On motion of Commissioner WOOD—

The PRESIDENT was excused for absence from this meeting of the Board.

On motion, Commissioners BELL, DEVOE, TAMSEN and VERMILYE were excused for absence from this meeting of the Board.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced for consideration the minutes of the session held on July 8th.

Commissioner SELIGMAN moved that they be amended as follows :

Page 543, in the twentieth line from top of the page, strike out the word “possible,” and insert the word “feasible.”

Commissioner PERKINS offered the following amendments :

Amend p. 528, so that the first line of the Ninth Ward shall read, “G. S. 3. Repairs and painting.”

Amend page 556, as follows :

Strike out in the eighth line from the bottom of the page the words, " Which was lost."

Strike out from the sixth and fifth lines from the bottom of the page the words, " the resolutions attached to the report of the Committee," and insert in the sixth line after the word " adopt " the words " said motion."

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* then put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the session held on July 8th, as printed in the Journal, and amended, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, and Commissioners CRARY, GALLAWAY, HOLT, KELLY, PERKINS, POMEROY, SCHMITT, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, TRAUD, WALLACE, WELCH, WETMORE and WOOD—15.

COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Trustees of the Eighth, Ninth, Eleventh and Twenty-first Wards, asking to excuse the absence of teachers, &c.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power conferred by the by-laws.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking for payment of the bill of Baker, Pratt & Co., amounting to \$190.66, for furniture supplied G. S. No. 78, in 1884.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, asking for an appropriation of \$200 for gas fixtures for E. S. No. 79.

Referred to the Finance Committee to report at this meeting of the Board.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, asking for authority to suspend the sessions of P. S. No. 9 and Male Department G. S. No. 13, designated as G. S. No. 79, for ten consecutive school days, commencing on September 14th, if circumstances warrant the same, no rights of the Trustees as to contracts being relinquished, and said suspension to be without detriment to the salaries of the Teachers or Janitor.

Commissioner SCHWAB asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said communication.

Commissioner SCHWAB moved that the application be granted.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner SCHWAB, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, and Commissioners Crary, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Traud, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—15.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, for book closets in G. S. No. 79, for the Senior Evening School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, returning the contract with Rutzler & Blake, for heating apparatus for G. S. No. 82, and adhering to their award of said contract to Gillis & Geohegan.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* laid before the Board the following communications :

From Hon. Edward V. Loew, Comptroller, asking for the annual estimate of the Board for the year 1886, as follows :

CITY OF NEW YORK, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, }
 COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, *August 25, 1885.* }

TO HON. STEPHEN A. WALKER,
President Board of Education:

At a meeting of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment created by chapter 335 of the Laws of 1873, held August 7, 1885, the following preamble and resolution were adopted, to wit:

Whereas, Section 189 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882 provides as follows:

“The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, and the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, shall constitute the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.” * * * *

* * * “The said Board shall annually, between the first day of August and the first day of November, meet, and by the affirmative vote of all the members make a provisional estimate of the amounts required to pay the expenses of conducting the public business of the City and County of New York, and each department and branch thereof, and of the Board of Education for the then next ensuing financial year. * * *

“For the purpose of making said provisional estimate, the heads of departments and the Board of Education shall, at least thirty days before the said provisional estimate is required to be made, as herein provided, send to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment an estimate, in writing, herein called a Departmental Estimate, of the amount of expenditure, specifying in detail the objects thereof, required in their respective departments, including a statement of each of the salaries of their officers, clerks, employees and subordinates. The same statement as to salaries and expenditure shall be made by all other officers, persons and boards having power to fix or authorize them. A duplicate of these Departmental Estimates

and statements shall be made at the same time to the Board of Aldermen."

Resolved, That the Comptroller request the heads of all the departments, and the officers of the City and County of New York, to send their Departmental Estimates for the year 1886, in conformity to the foregoing provisions of law, to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, on or before September 30, 1885.

In accordance with the foregoing resolution I hereby respectfully request you to send to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, as soon as it can be prepared, and, certainly, before the 30th day of September, 1885, estimates in writing, of the amounts required to pay the expenses of conducting the public business in your department, in and for the fiscal year 1886, specifying the purposes and objects of each expenditure, including a statement of the amount of each of the salaries of all officers, clerks, employees and subordinates ; and stating, also, the names of the several persons to be paid such salaries, respectively, in accordance with the above cited provisions of law. Full explanations of proposed expenditures should accompany the estimates, and also the reasons, especially for any increase or decrease in the amounts, and for such as may require unusual appropriation.

You are particularly requested, also, to furnish a separate comparative statement in tabular form, showing, in one column, the amounts of all appropriations made to your Department for the year 1885, for different objects and purposes, with additions and deductions therefrom for transfers which may have been made from one appropriation to another ; and showing, in another column, the amounts of appropriations asked for in your Departmental Estimate for the year 1886.

You are also requested to state the amount which may probably remain unexpended of any appropriations for 1885, at the end of the year.

Your co-operation with the Board of Estimate and Apportionment is earnestly desired in their efforts to reduce our

taxes as low as possible, by the exercise of economy in conducting the public business of the city, by scrutinizing carefully every proposed expenditure, and excluding from your estimates every item of expense not absolutely necessary for efficiency in the management of your Department, and which is not required to promote and secure the public welfare.

Respectfully,

EDWARD V. LOEW,
Comptro'ler.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From Miss Kate Stanley, asking for payment of salary for 1884 and 1885, for services in G. S. No. 81.

Also—

From Misses Ella E. Lansing and Elizabeth S. Francis, G. S. No. 81, for payment of salary for 1884 and 1885.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Principal of the St. Vincent Free School, asking for disused books for said school.

Referred to the Committee on Supplies.

From the West Side Association, E. B. Southwick, Secretary, asking for increased school accommodations on the west side, between Fifty-ninth and One Hundredth streets.

Referred to the Committee on Sites and New Schools.

From Prof. Anspach, Bolhovskoy, Russia, asking for appointment as an Instructor in the French language and literature.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the U. S. Sanitary Filter Co., asking to be heard relative to the merits and practical working of their instruments.

Also—

From Edward Fox, General Manager of said company, relative to the filters manufactured by said company.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

REPORTS LAID OVER UNDER THE RULE.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced for consideration the report of the Committee on Normal College, relative to non-resident pupils, Journal, pp. 445, 446. P. 485.

On motion of Commissioner SCHMITT, said report was laid over, and to retain its place on the schedule.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, adverse to paying Mrs. Emma T. Kilmer for services as Acting Principal of F. D. G. S. No. 8, Journal, pp. 389, 415, 416, 481. P. 509. P. 544.

On motion of Commissioner SCHMITT, said report was laid over, and to retain its place on the schedule.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner SCHWAB presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, to whom were referred applications from the Trustees of the Twelfth and Twenty-third Wards, for authority to advertise for proposals for heating apparatus for Grammar School No. 83, and addition to Grammar School No. 43 ; and addition to Grammar School No. 61 ; stating, that these are new buildings in course of erection, and it is necessary that steam heating apparatus should be placed therein.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the School Trustees of the Twelfth and Twenty-third Wards be and hereby are authorized to advertise in the *City Record* for two weeks, for proposals for steam heating apparatus for the following named schools :

12th Ward—Grammar School No. 83.

“ —Addition to Grammar School No. 43.

23d Ward — Addition to Grammar School No. 61.

Plans and specifications to be prepared by the Engineer,

and approved by the Committee on Warming and Ventilation and Trustees of the Wards named.

GUSTAV SCHWAB, R. M. GALLAWAY, W. J. WELCH, HENRY SCHMITT,	}	<i>Committee on Warming and Ventilation.</i>
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Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner WELCH presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, in the matter of the application from the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, to advertise for proposals for furnishing the new addition to G. S. No. 61; stating that this application is made for the purpose of taking the necessary steps towards furnishing the new addition, which is nearing completion.

The Committee recommend that the application be granted, and submit the following resolutions for adoption :

Resolved, That the School Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward be and hereby are authorized to advertise in the *City Record* for two weeks for proposals for furniture required for the new addition to Grammar School No. 61. Plans and specifications to be prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the Committee on School Furniture and Trustees herein named.

W. J. WELCH, CHAS. L. HOLT, H. B. PERKINS,	}	<i>Committee on School Furniture.</i>
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Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner WOOD presented a report from the Committee on Normal College, stating that at a meeting of the Committee held June 29th, a communication was received from Miss Mary W. Roe, resigning her position as Tutor in the Department of Mathematics in the Normal College, to take effect October 1st, 1885.

With the view of filling the vacancy to be thus created, a competitive examination was held at the College building on September 5, notice of which had been given by public advertisement in three daily papers.

Nine candidates presented themselves, four of whom withdrew and gave up the contest while the examination was in progress. Of the remaining five candidates Miss Grace Bentley Beach received the highest average per cent. (95%) in the five studies of Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry, Trigonometry and Conic Sections, being fifteen per cent. higher than the average of any other candidate.

The Committee, therefore, recommend to the Board her appointment to the position at an annual salary of eight hundred dollars, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That Miss Grace Bentley Beach be and she hereby is appointed to the position of Tutor in the Department of Mathematics in the Normal College *vice* Miss Mary W. Roe, resigned, at an annual salary of eight hundred dollars (\$800), to take effect on and after October 1, 1885.

WILLIAM WOOD,	} Committee on Normal College.
GUSTAV SCHWAB,	
EUGENE KELLY,	

Commissioner WOOD asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, and Commissioners Crary, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Traud, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—16.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, in the matter of the request of Dr. D. L. Lyons, that a pupil of G. S. No. 49, be granted a special permit on account of physical infirmity ; stating, that the

Trustees of the Twenty-first Ward, to whom the Committee referred the matter for investigation, have made a report to this Committee, in which they state that the matter has been satisfactorily arranged.

The Committee ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject by the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee on Teachers be discharged from the further consideration of the request of Dr. D. L. Lyons, for a special permit in the case of a pupil of G. S. No. 49.

DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		
EUGENE KELLY,		

Commissioner WETMORE asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner SELIGMAN presented a report from the Committee on Supplies, in accordance with article 25, section 115 of the by-laws, submitting a statement of the number of each book, chart, or card supplied to the schools during the year ending September 1, 1885.

DE WITT J. SELIGMAN,	}	<i>Committee on Supplies.</i>
CHAS. L. HOLT,		
DAVID WETMORE,		
H. B. PERKINS,		
HENRY SCHMITT,		

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom were referred applications from the Trustees of the several Wards, to excuse the absence of teachers, with full pay ; stating, that the cause of absence in *each case* reported herein is personal illness.

A statement is submitted, showing the record of each applicant for the past five years.

The Committee recommend that the absences be excused, with full pay, for the time stated in the column "Time allowed," in the following resolution, which is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the following named teachers be excused for absence, with full pay, for the "Time allowed" herein :

Rank.	School.	Name.	Time Allowed.	Years of Service.	Instruction.	Discipline.	No. Days Lost.	Exc. with full pay.
1st	M. D. 1.	Rose J. Kelly.....	{ 22 d. June.. 2 d. July.. }	16	{ Good...3 y. Good.1 y. } { Ex.....2 y. Ex....4 y. }		34	23 d.
	F. D. 1.	Mary F. Plunkett.....	2 d. June....	24	{ Good...1 y..... }		34	.....
					{ Ex.....4 y. Ex..... }			
1st	M. D. 23.	Mary A. O'Donnell..	{ 20 d. June.. 1 d. July.. }	14	{ Good...2 y..... }		26	18 d.
					{ Ex.....3 y. Ex..... }			
1st	F. D. 42.	Caroline H. Hopkins...	8 d. June....	35	{ Management. Good...1 y. Ex.... 4 y. }		137	55 d.
	P. D. 42.	Mary A. Lyell.....	7 d. June....	9	Ex.....Ex.....		50	13 d.
	P. D. 42.	Ella F. Carey.....	{ 22 d. June.. 1 d. July.. }	6	Ex.....Ex.....		51	31½ d.
	P. D. 42.	Nellie L. Mernin.....	8 d. June....	8	{ Good...1 y..... }		24	7½ d.
					{ Ex.....3 y. Ex....4 y. }			
					{ Not examined....1 y. }			
	M. D. 75.	Grace T. Downs.....	3½ d. June....	18	{ Good...1 y..... }		36	.....
					{ Ex.....4 y. Ex..... }			
1st	P. D. 55.	Charlotte L. Kennedy.	1 d. June....	6	{ Good...1 y..... }		12	.....
					{ Ex.....4 y. Ex..... }			
	P. D. 45.	Lucrotia C. Graham....	1½ d. June....	11	{ Good...1 y..... }		13	.....
					{ Ex.....4 y. Ex..... }			
	M. D. 11.	Marie C. Lamb.....	2 d. June....	20	Good.....Ex.....		44	32 d.
	P. D. 56.	Louisa Vandervoort....	13 d. June....	11	Ex.....Ex.....		31	15 d.
1st	M. D. 13.	Julia Crinnion.....	2 d. June....	14	{ Good...3 y. Good.1 y. }		38	.....
					{ Ex.....2 y. Ex....4 y. }			
	F. D. 13.	Cornelia S. Grout....	1 d. July.....	6	Good.....Ex.....		3	.....
	P. D. 13.	Sara F. Van Ness.....	8 d. June....	19	{ Good...1 y..... }		35	8½ d.
					{ Ex.....4 y. Ex..... }			
	F. D. 19.	Mary E. McAndrews.	{ 20 d. June.. 3 d. July.. }	10	{ Good...2 y..... }		60	21½ d.
					{ Ex.....3 y. Ex..... }			
	F. D. 25.	Hortense J. Backus.	{ 20 d. June.. 3 d. July.. }	9	{ Ex.....4 y. Ex....4 y. }		91	24 d.
					{ Gen'l Assistant...1 y. }			
	P. S. 26.	Henrietta Gerlitz.....	8 d. June....	7	Ex.....Ex.....		17	.....
2d	M. D. 69.	Isabel H. Cameron....	12 d. May....	7	{ Good...2 y..... }		37	7 d.
					{ Ex.....3 y. Ex..... }			
	F. D. 17.	Anna M. Robinson....	11 d. June....	8	Ex.....Ex.....		65	25 d.
	P. D. 17.	Mary Anderson.....	2 d. June....	16	Ex.....Ex.....		16	11 d.
	P. D. 58.	Sarah Greer.....	20 d. June....	8	Ex.....Ex.....		49	19 d.
	P. D. 67.	Catharine Gass	9 d. June....	11	{ Good...1 y..... }		35	1 d.
					{ Ex.....4 y. Ex..... }			
	P. D. 67.	Emma J. McKibbin....	2½ d. June....	6	{ Fair...1 y..... }		40	.....
					{ Ex.....4 y. Ex..... }			
	P. D. 80.	Cath. A. Thompson....	13 d. June....	29	Management Good.....		6	.....
3d	P. D. 62.	Sarah J. MacPherson..	1 d. June....	17	Ex.....Ex.....		18	.....

WARD.	School.	Name.	Time Allowed.	Years of Service.	Instruction.	Discipline	No. Days Lost.	Exc. with full pay.
24th.	P. D. 65.	Fanny E. Bromiley....	20 d. June....	12	{ Good...1 y..... Ex.....4 y.Ex..... }		5	3 d.
	G. D. 63.	Alice M. Albro.....	{ 20 d. June.. 1 d. July.. }	6	{ Good...2 y..... Ex.....3 y.Ex..... }		33	.....

DAVID WETMORE, GILBERT H. CRAWFORD, EUGENE H. POMEROY, EUGENE KELLY, WILLIAM WOOD,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
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Laid over under the rule.

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Ayes—The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, and Commissioners Crary, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Traud, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—16.

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Resolved, That the thanks of this Board are hereby given to Commissioners PERKINS and SCHMITT, for the taste they have shown, and the trouble they have taken, in rendering this Hall cheerful and comfortable for their colleagues.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner KELLY presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the application of the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, requesting an appropria-

WARD.	School.	Name.	Time Allowed.	Years of Service.	Instruc- tion.	Disci- pline	No. Days Lost.	Exc. with full pay.
24th.	P. D. 65.	Fanny E. Bromiley....	20 d. June....	12	{ Good....1 y..... }		5	3 d.
					{ Ex.....4 y.Ex..... }			
	G. D. 63.	Alice M. Albro	{ 20 d. June.. }	6	{ Good....2 y..... }		33	.....
			{ 1 d. July.. }		{ Ex. ....3 y.Ex..... }			

DAVID WETMORE,
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,
EUGENE H. POMEROY,
EUGENE KELLY,
WILLIAM WOOD,

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Committee
on
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The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, and Commissioners Crary, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Traud, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—16.

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The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner KELLY presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the application of the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, requesting an appropria-

tion of \$200 for gas fixtures to be furnished Evening School No. 79; stating, that this work can be done by authority of the Committee on Buildings, and paid from the Contingent Fund, under charge of that Committee, and recommend that the communication be referred to them with a request that they authorize said work to be done.

EUGENE KELLY,
DEWITT J. SELIGMAN, } *Finance*
FERDINAND TRAUD, } *Committee.*

Referred to the Joint Committee on Buildings and Evening Schools.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented a report from the Auditing Committee; stating, that they have examined the accompanying bills, and believing the items thereof to be correct, and the charges reasonable, recommend their payment by the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the following named bills be and they hereby are approved for payment:

Robert Evertsberg, subscription to <i>Staats Zeitung</i> , January 1 to July 1, 1885.....	\$4 65
F. Froberg, subscription to <i>Evening Post</i> , <i>Commercial Advertiser</i> , and <i>Evening Mail</i> , July 1 to September 1, 1885.....	4 15
The Evening Post Job Printing Office, Printing Minutes of July 1 and 8, Miscellaneous Blanks, &c., June 30, July 3 to 25, 1885....	173 35
L. D. Kiernan, Postage, &c., June 29 to September 7, 1885.....	113 79
Amerman & Ford, survey of property, King street., April 2.....	\$35 00
Amerman & Ford, survey of property south side 50th street, between 9th and 10th avenues, April 7.....	40 00
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	75 00
Robidoux & Son, bridges for coal scales, July 6, 1885.....	10 00

A..Kleinhans, decorating Hall of Board on oc- casion of Gen. Grant's funeral, September 9, 1885	18 00
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	\$398 94

HENRY SCHMITT, H. B. PERKINS, DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,	}	<i>Auditing Committee.</i>
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Commissioner SCHMITT asked and obtained unanimous con-
sent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board
would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Com-
mittee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, and Commissioners Crary,
Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab,
Seligman, Simmons, Traud, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and
Wood—16.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Joint
Committee on Buildings and Evening Schools, to whom was
referred the communication from the Trustees of the Seven-
teenth Ward, asking for an appropriation of \$200 to place gas
fixtures in Grammar School No. 79, recommending that the
application be referred to the Committee on Buildings, with the
request that they grant the same ; the expense to be paid from
the Buildings Contingent Fund.

DAVID WETMORE, EUGENE H. POMEROY, G. SCHWAB,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
FERDINAND TRAUD, HENRY SCHMITT, R. M. GALLAWAY,	}	<i>Committee on Evening Schools.</i>

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board
would adopt the report of the Committee, and it was decided
in the affirmative.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Commissioner CRARY moved that the Board take up for consideration the report of the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, relative to the organization of G. S. No. 83 as a male school, and the transfer of M. D. G. S. No. 57 thereto, and the organization of Female Department in G. S. No. 57, Journal, pp. 555, 556.

Adopted.

Commissioner CRARY called for the question on the resolutions attached to said report.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolutions attached to the report of the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, found on page 556 of the Journal, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, and Commissioners Crary, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Traud, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—16.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion—

The Board adjourned.

LAWRENCE D. KIERNAN,
Clerk.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 1885.

STATED SESSION.

Present—STEPHEN A. WALKER, President, and Commissioners CRARY, CRAWFORD, GALLAWAY, HOLT, KELLY, PERKINS, POMEROY, SCHMITT, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, TAMSEN, TRAUD, WALLACE, WELCH, WETMORE and WOOD—17.

Absent—Commissioners BELL, DEVOE, SIMMONS and VERMILYE—4.

The PRESIDENT announced for consideration the minutes of the session held on September 9, and put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the session held on September 9, as printed in the Journal, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners CRARY, CRAWFORD, GALLAWAY, HOLT, KELLY, PERKINS, POMEROY, SCHMITT, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, TAMSEN, TRAUD, WALLACE, WELCH, WETMORE and WOOD—17.

COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, by the Chairman, relative to the repairs in progress in G. S. No. 31, and asking that the sessions of said school be suspended for five days, until said repairs shall be completed, and the building made ready for occupancy.

Commissioner SCHMITT, by unanimous consent, offered the following resolution in connection with said communication :

Resolved, That the sessions of Grammar School No. 31, be and are hereby suspended for five days, ending this week, for the completion of the repairs to said building, said suspension to be without detriment to the salaries of teachers or janitor.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—17.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, asking to excuse the absence of teachers, with full pay.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power conferred by the by-laws.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, submitting the award of contract for conveying pupils from Williamsbridge to G. S. No. 64, from September 14, 1885, to July 4, 1886.

Referred to the Auditing Committee.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from the Superintendent of School Buildings relative to the authority for work done on the additional building for G. S. No. 33, as follows :

NEW YORK, *Sept. 15, 1885.*

To the Honorable the Board of Education :

GENTLEMEN—On page 546 of the Journal of the proceedings of your Honorable Body at the meeting held on the 8th day of *July last*, may be found the following :

“The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Buildings, relative to the bill of Thomas Cockerill, for extra work on G. S. No. 33, Journal, pp. 522-526.

“Commissioner WOOD moved that said report be referred back to the Committee, with instructions to report at the first meeting in September, and that the Superintendent of School Buildings be required to state on what authority said work was done.”

In answer to the foregoing the undersigned begs leave to state that, in his opinion, the authority for doing the work referred to is contained in the following section of the contract in use for the erection of buildings, etc.

“SECOND.—That in case the parties of the first part, or a majority of them, shall, at any time during the progress of the said work, request any alteration, deviation, addition or omission in, to, or upon the said work, or any detail thereof, as shown in and required by the said plans or drawings and specifications, the part * * * of the second part will make each and every alteration, deviation, addition or omission so requested; and the same shall not, and shall not be held to avoid or in any way impair this contract, but the cost and expenses thereof, at a fair and reasonable valuation, to be immediately agreed upon by the Superintendent of School Buildings, the parties of the first part, or a majority of them, on the one side, and the part * * * of the second part on the other side, and certified at the time in writing, shall be, as may be just and proper, added to or deducted from the moneys to be paid to the part * * * of the second part under this contract, and shall be accounted for and settled by and between the respective parties of the first and second parts; but the Board of Education shall not, by reason of the approval of this contract or otherwise, be, or be held to be, obligated for or required to make an appropriation to pay the increased expense caused by any such alteration, addition or omission, unless its consent thereto be obtained; nor shall the making of any such alteration, addition or omission vary the time above limited to the performance of this contract, unless the number of days to be

added to or deducted therefrom by reason thereof shall be determined and certified in writing at the time by the Superintendent of School Buildings, a majority of the parties of the first part and the part * * * of the second part."

Very respectfully,

D. I. STAGG,

Superintendent of School Buildings.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From Charles F. Olney, resigning his position as Vice-Principal of G. S. No. 26.

Ordered, That said communication be placed on file.

From the Committee of Janitors, relative to an increase of salary for 1886.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From George O. Simmons, relative to mineral cabinets for use in schools, and asking that they be added to the list of supplies.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From the Equity Gas Saving Company, relative to their apparatus.

Referred to the Auditing Committee.

RESOLUTIONS TO BE REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Commissioner HOLT offered the following :

Whereas, It is made by the statute the duty of the Board of

Education “to provide for the proper classification of
* * salaries in such manner that, as near as prac-
ticable, the * * salaries paid to teachers shall be
uniform throughout the city ; therefore, in order to fulfill
this duty, be it
resolved, That Articles XII and XIII of the By-Laws be
amended as follows :

ARTICLE XII.—*Teachers.*

Amend § 33, paragraph 3, page 99, by adding, after the
word “Male” in the fifth and sixteenth lines, the words
“or mixed.”

Amend § 33, paragraph 5, pages 100, 101 and 102, by
striking out all after the word “year” in the fourth line
from the bottom of page 100.

Amend § 33, paragraph 9, page 106, by striking out the
last sentence of the paragraph.

Amend § 34, page 109, by striking out the word “ sched-
ule ” in the second line, and substituting the word “ the.”

Amend the title of Article XII and § 35 so as to read
as follows :

ARTICLE XIII.—*Salaries of Teachers.*

1. *Principals and Vice-Principals.*

§ 35. The annual salaries paid to Principals and Vice-
Principals in the Male and Mixed Grammar Schools shall
be as follows :

To Principals in Schools having an average attendance
for the preceding year of—

150 or less.....	\$2,250
151 to 300.....	2,500
301 to 500	2,750
501 and upwards	3,000

To Vice-Principals in Schools having an average attend-
ance for the preceding year of a grammar grade of—

Less than 250 ...	1,800
250 and upwards	2,000

The annual salaries paid to Principals and Vice-Principals in Female Grammar Schools shall be as follows :

To Principals in Schools having an average attendance for the preceding year of—

100 or less	\$1,200
101 to 150	1,300
151 to 300	1,500
301 to 500 ..	1,600
501 and upwards	1,700

To Vice-Principals in Schools having an average attendance for the preceding year of a grammar grade of—

Less than 250	\$1,000
250 and upwards	1,200

The annual salaries paid to Principals and Vice-Principals in Primary Departments and Schools shall be as follows :

To Principals in Schools having an average attendance for the preceding year of—

200 or less.	\$1,000
201 to 400	1,100
401 to 500	1,300
501 to 600	1,400
601 to 850	1,500
851 to 1,000 ..	1,600
1,001 and upwards	1,700

To Vice-Principals in Schools having an average attendance for the preceding year of—

Less than 350.	\$850
351 to 500	900
501 to 1,000	1,000
1,001 and upwards	1,200

All persons employed as Principals of Grammar or of Primary Departments and Schools, who shall have been so employed for a period of fourteen years, and whose record for five years preceding the application shall be excellent shall be paid not less than the following annual salaries, if

approved by a majority vote of all the members of the Board of Education, viz. :

For Principals of Male and Mixed Departments.	\$2,500
For Principals of Female Departments.....	1,900
For Principals of Primary Departments and Schools.....	1,750

2. *Male Assistant Teachers.*

The minimum salary paid to any Male Assistant Teacher shall be nine hundred dollars per annum, and an increase of one hundred and ninety-two dollars shall be given to every such teacher at the end of each two years of service during which his record shall not be below *excellent* in instruction and discipline, reckoning from the date of his appointment, until, at the expiration of ten years, the maximum salary of eighteen hundred and sixty dollars per year is attained.

The bi-annual increase of salary shall also be given to any such teacher whose record may fall below *excellent*, but not below *good*, in instruction or discipline, or both, in one of two consecutive years, if approved by a majority vote of all the members of the Board of Education.

Provided, That the annual salary of no such teacher in service on the thirty-first day of December, 1885, shall be less than his annual salary as established at that time, unless such salary be more than the maximum salary herein fixed, and, in that case, the maximum salary only shall be paid. The salaries herein fixed shall be classified as follows :

1st Class.....	\$1,860
2d " 	1,668
3d " 	1,476
4th " 	1,284
5th " 	1,092
6th " 	900

3. *Female Assistant Teachers.*

The annual salaries of the Female Assistant Teachers

in Male, Mixed and Female Grammar Schools, and in Primary Schools and Departments, shall be of the following classes and amounts, viz. :

Male Grammar Schools.

1st Class	\$1,113
2d "	1,017
3d. "	930
4th "	852
5th "	783
6th "	723
7th "	672
8th "	630

Mixed Grammar Schools.

1st class	\$1,077
2d "	981
3d "	894
4th "	816
5th "	747
6th "	687
7th "	636
8th "	594

Female Grammar Schools.

1st class	\$1,041
2d "	945
3d "	858
4th "	780
5th "	711
6th "	651
7th "	600
8th "	558

Primary Departments and Schools.

1st class	\$900
2d "	834
3d "	774
4th "	720

5th class	\$672
6th "	630
7th "	594
8th "	564
9th "	540
10th "	522
11th "	510
12th "	504

The number of salaries of each class that shall be allowed to any School or Department shall be as follows :

Where eight female assistants are employed in any Male, Mixed or Female Grammar School, there shall be allowed one of each class of the Male, Mixed or Female Grammar salaries, as the case may be.

Where more than eight are employed there shall be added one salary of each class of similar salaries, consecutively, beginning with the lowest, and repeating, if necessary, until the required number is reached. But there shall not be allowed to any Grammar School more than one salary of the first or second class, two of the third class, three of the fourth class, four of the fifth class, five of the sixth class, or six of the seventh class.

Where less than eight are employed there shall be deducted one salary of each highest and lowest class alternately, beginning with the lowest, until the required number is reached.

Where Female Assistants are employed in Mixed Grammar Schools in place of Male Assistants allowed by the By-laws, they shall not be counted under the foregoing provisions, and they shall be paid the same as Male Assistants, except that the maximum annual salary shall be \$1,284.

Where twelve assistants are employed in any Primary Department or School there shall be allowed one of each class of Primary salaries.

Where more than twelve are employed there shall be

allowed additional Primary salaries in the same manner as in the Grammar Schools. But there shall not be allowed to any Primary Department or School more than one salary of the first, second, third or fourth class, two of the fifth or sixth class, three of the seventh or eighth class, four of the ninth or tenth class, or five of the eleventh class.

Where less than twelve are employed salaries shall be deducted in the same manner as in the Grammar Schools.

The salaries so allowed to the several Grammar and Primary Departments and Schools shall be paid to the teachers in the order of their positions in their respective Departments or Schools.

In Departments and Schools where both Grammar and Primary grades are taught the salaries allowed to assistants in Grammar Schools shall be given to similar assistants who teach Grammar grades, and the salaries allowed to assistants in Primary Schools shall be given to assistants who teach the Primary grades.

Substitute teachers shall be paid at the rate of \$1.25 per day of actual service. Female assistant teachers of less than one year's experience as instructors in the schools of this city or elsewhere, shall be known as Junior Teachers, and be paid for the first year's service a salary of three hundred and ninety-six dollars per annum, and, on the expiration of the year's service they shall subsequently be entitled as assistant teachers to the salaries prescribed in this article, and cease to be considered as Junior Teachers.

Amend § 36, page 115, by striking out paragraph 1.

Amend § 37, paragraph 2, page 117, by striking out the word "and" in the first line, and after the word "Vice-Principals," adding the words "and assistant teachers."

Amend § 39, page 120, by striking out the word "fifty" in the sixth line, and substituting the word "forty-eight."

On motion of Commissioner CRAWFORD--

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

REPORTS LAID OVER UNDER THE RULE.

The PRESIDENT announced for consideration the report of the Committee on Normal College, relative to non-resident pupils, Journal, pp. 445, 446. P. 485. P. 573.

Commissioner SCHMITT, in connection with said report, offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President of the Normal College be, and he is hereby respectfully requested to ascertain the names of all students attending the College who are not actual residents of the City of New York, and to dismiss from the College all such students, and report his action thereon at the next meeting of this Board.

Commissioner HOLT moved that said resolution be laid on the table.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schwab, Tamsen, Wetmore and Wood—10.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Kelly, Schmitt, Seligman, Traud, Wallace and Welch—7.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, adverse to paying Mrs. Emma T. Kilmer for services as Acting Principal of F. D. G. S. No. 8, Journal, pp. 389, 415. 416, 481. P. 509. P. 544. P. 573.

Commissioner SCHMITT moved that the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, Journal, p. 389, be amended by striking out the word “denied” and inserting “granted.”

Commissioner TAMSEN moved that the report be re-committed.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would

agree with the motion of Commissioner TAMSEN, and it was decided in the negative.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the amendment offered by Commissioner SCHMITT, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crary, Perkins, Tamsen and Wallace—4.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crawford, Galloway, Holt, Kelly, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Traud, Wetmore and Wood—12.

Commissioner SCHMITT moved that the question of the legality of the proposed payment be referred to the Counsel to the Board.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crary, Kelly, Perkins, Schmitt, Seligman, Tamsen and Wallace—7.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crawford, Galloway, Holt, Pomeroy, Schwab, Traud, Wetmore and Wood—9.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Teachers, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, to authorize the Trustees of the Twelfth and Twenty-third Wards to advertise for proposals for heating apparatus for G. S. Nos. 83 and 43, and G. S. No. 61, Journal, pp. 573, 574.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on School Furniture, to authorize the Trustees of the Twenty-

third Ward to advertise for proposals for furniture for G. S. No. 61, Journal, p. 574.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT announced the Report of the Committee on Teachers, to excuse absence of Teachers, with full pay, Journal, pp. 576-578.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Holt, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—13.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner TRAUD presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, nominating Mrs. Annie E. Boyne for the position of Principal of the Junior Female Evening School, to be held in G. S. No. 4 ; stating, that Mrs. Boyne is in every way qualified for the position, and holds the necessary license.

The Committee recommend that she be confirmed, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That Mrs. Annie E. Boyne be, and hereby is appointed Principal of the Junior Evening School for Females, to be held in Grammar School No. 4, in the Thirteenth Ward, for the term of 1885 and 1886.

FERDINAND TRAUD,	}	<i>Committee on Evening Schools.</i>
W. J. WELCH,		
CHARLES CRARY,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		
HENRY SCHMITT,		

Commissioner TRAUD asked and obtained unanimous consent, for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Holt, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—13.

Commissioner TRAUD presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, to whom was referred the nomination by the Trustees of the Eighth Ward, of a Principal and Assistant Teachers for the Female Evening School, held in G. S. No. 38; stating, that the City Superintendent reported on the qualifications of the several persons named in the resolution attached to this report. They hold the necessary license to teach, and are in every way qualified for the respective positions.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the following named persons be, and they hereby are appointed to the respective positions named herein, in the Female Evening School, to be held in Grammar School No. 38, in the Eighth Ward, for the term of 1885 and 1886 :

Miss Maggie E. Scanlan, Principal.

Miss Mary A. McGovern, Assistant.

Miss Margaret C. Healey, “

Miss Lily E. Dolan, “

Miss Kate A. Ahern, “ and Music.

FERDINAND TRAUD,	}	<i>Committee on Evening Schools.</i>
W. J. WELCH,		
CHARLES CRARY,		
HENRY SCHMITT,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		

Commissioner TRAUD asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would

adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Holt, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—13.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented a report from the Auditing Committee ; stating, that they have examined the accompanying bills, and believing the items thereof to be correct and the charges reasonable, recommend their payment by the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the following named bills be and they hereby are approved for payment :

Clark & Wilkins, hickory wood, Hall of Board,	
Aug. 31.....	\$40 00
Edward Higgins, cleaning Hall of Board,	
Sept. 7.....	87 50
James McCreery, lambrequins, poles, plush,	
shades, upholstering 3 chairs in Board	
room, Sept. 2.....	383 20
Joshua Gregg, carpets, chairs, linoleum, &c.,	
Hall of Board, July 17-23, Sept. 2-5, '85..	508 85
J. E. Muller, painting, kalsomining, &c.,	
Hall of Board (extra work), Sept.	
7, '85.....	\$225 25
J. E. Muller, painting, &c., Janitor's	
apartments, contract work, Sept. 7.	186 00
J. E. Muller, painting, &c., Board	
room, contract, Sept. 7.....	84 00
J. E. Muller, painting, &c., Janitor's	
apartments (extra work), Sept. 7..	72 00
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	567 25
Charles S. Sherman, ventilating pipe	
and reflector, Commissioners' room,	
Aug. 14-18, '85.....	\$100 21
Charles S. Sherman, ventilating water	
closets and cesspools in rear Hall	
of Board, Aug. 6-11, '85.	45 00

Charles S. Sherman, new water closet,
&c., third floor, Hall of Board, Aug.

12-24, '85..... \$33 14

————— \$178 35

John P. Garniss, conveying children from
Williamsbridge to G. S. No. 64, Feb. 2, to
July 3, '85.....

378 00

Hermann Brockmeyer, plastering ceiling in City
Superintendent's office, Aug. '85... ..

12 00

Dr. J. M'Givern, professional services rendered
Arthur Bush, pupil, M. D. G. S. No. 51,
for injuries received in said School, April
30, '85.....

5 00

Charles Morris, removing stoves from G. S.
Nos. 67, 31, and P. S. No. 2, to store room
at G. S. No. 30, Sept. 3, '85.....

25 00

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\$2,185 15

HENRY SCHMITT,	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,	
H. B. PERKINS,	
W. B. WALLACE,	

Commissioner SCHMITT asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Holt, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—13.

The PRESIDENT called Commissioner CRAWFORD to the chair.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom were referred applications from the Trustees of the Eleventh and Twenty-first Wards, to excuse the absence of teachers, with full pay ; stating, that the

cause of absence in each case reported herein is personal illness.

A statement is submitted, showing the record of each applicant for the past five years.

The Committee recommend that the absences be excused, with full pay, for the time stated in the column "Time allowed," in the following resolution, which is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the following named teachers be excused for absence, with full pay, for the "time allowed" herein :

WARD.	School.	Name.	Time Allowed.	Years of Service.	Instruction.	Discipline.	No. Days Lost.	Exc. with full pay.
11th.	M. D. 16.	Elis. J. Hunter.....	{ 5 d. June..... 1 d. July.....	11	Ex.....	Ex.....	5	.....
	F. D. 22.	Sarah Fahey.....	14½ d. June...	11	{ Good...2 y..... Ex. ....3 y.Ex.....		12	2 d.
21st.	M. D. 49.	Anna M. Carr.....	8 d. June.....	16	Ex.....	Ex.....	34	.....

DAVID WETMORE,
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,
EUGENE H. POMEROY,
EUGENE KELLY,
WILLIAM WOOD,

}

Committee
on
Teachers.

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner Wood presented a report from the Committee on Normal College ; stating, that Miss Elizabeth G. Knight had resigned her position as tutor in the Department of Natural Science, to take effect on September 14. For the purpose of filling the vacancy thus created, a competitive examination was held on September 5th, at the College, but none of the candidates reached the required 85 per cent. to secure the appointment. Another competitive examination was held on the 12th, at the College, notices of which had been given (in each case) in the public papers.

At the latter date three candidates presented themselves, the highest, Miss Helena C. Gaskin, receiving over 95 per cent. ; the second highest, Miss Alice Bell Rich, receiving over 85 per cent. ; the lowest receiving over 82 per cent.

The Committee recommend that Miss Helena C. Gaskin be

Trustees of the Twenty-first Ward, to whom the Committee referred the matter for investigation, have made a report to this Committee, in which they state that the matter has been satisfactorily arranged.

The Committee ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject by the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee on Teachers be discharged from the further consideration of the request of Dr. D. L. Lyons, for a special permit in the case of a pupil of G. S. No. 49.

DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		
EUGENE KELLY,		

Commissioner WETMORE asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner SELIGMAN presented a report from the Committee on Supplies, in accordance with article 25, section 115 of the by-laws, submitting a statement of the number of each book, chart, or card supplied to the schools during the year ending September 1, 1885.

DE WITT J. SELIGMAN,	}	<i>Committee on Supplies.</i>
CHAS. L. HOLT,		
DAVID WETMORE,		
H. B. PERKINS,		
HENRY SCHMITT,		

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom were referred applications from the Trustees of the several Wards, to excuse the absence of teachers, with full pay ; stating, that the cause of absence in each case reported herein is personal illness.

A statement is submitted, showing the record of each applicant for the past five years.

The Committee recommend that the absences be excused, with full pay, for the time stated in the column "Time allowed," in the following resolution, which is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the following named teachers be excused for absence, with full pay, for the "Time allowed" herein :

WARD.	School.	Name.	Time Allowed.	Years of Service.	Instruction.	Discipline.	No. Days Lost.	Exc. with full pay.
4th.	M. D. 1.	Rose J. Kelly.....	{ 22 d. June.. } { 2 d. July.. }	16	{ Good...3 y. Good.1 y. } { Ex.....2 y. Ex....4 y. }		34	23 d.
	F. D. 1.	Mary F. Plunkett.....	2 d. June....	24	{ Good...1 y..... }		34	.....
					{ Ex.....4 y. Ex..... }			
6th.	M. D. 23.	Mary A. O'Donnell..	{ 20 d. June.. } { 1 d. July... }	14	{ Good...2 y..... }		26	18 d.
					{ Ex.....3 y. Ex..... }			
10th.	F. D. 42.	Caroline H. Hopkins...	8 d. June....	35	{ Management. }		137	55 d.
					{ Good...1 y. Ex.... 4 y. }			
	P. D. 42.	Mary A. Lyell.....	7 d. June....	9	Ex.....Ex.....		50	13 d.
	P. D. 42.	Ella F. Carey.....	{ 22 d. June.. } { 1 d. July... }	6	Ex.....Ex.....		51	31½ d.
	P. D. 42.	Nellie L. Mernin.....	8 d. June....	8	{ Good...1 y..... }		24	7½ d.
					{ Ex.....3 y. Ex....4 y. }			
					{ Not examined....1 y. }			
	M. D. 75.	Grace T. Downs.....	3½ d. June....	18	{ Good...1 y..... }		36	.....
					{ Ex.....4 y. Ex..... }			
16th.	P. D. 55.	Charlotto L. Kennedy.	1 d. June....	6	{ Good...1 y..... }		12	.....
					{ Ex.....4 y. Ex..... }			
	P. D. 45.	Lucretia C. Graham....	1½ d. June....	11	{ Good...1 y..... }		13	.....
					{ Ex.....4 y. Ex..... }			
	M. D. 11.	Marie C. Lamb.....	2 d. June....	20	Good.....Ex.....		44	32 d.
	P. D. 56.	Louisa Vandervoort....	13 d. June....	11	Ex.....Ex.....		31	15 d.
17th.	M. D. 13.	Julia Crinnion.....	2 d. June....	14	{ Good...3 y. Good.1 y. }		38	.....
					{ Ex.....2 y. Ex....4 y. }			
	F. D. 13.	Cornelia S. Grout.....	1 d. July....	6	Good.....Ex.....		3	.....
	P. D. 13.	Sara F. Van Ness.....	8 d. June....	19	{ Good...1 y..... }		35	8½ d.
					{ Ex.....4 y. Ex..... }			
	F. D. 19.	Mary E. McAndrews.	{ 20 d. June.. } { 3 d. July... }	10	{ Good...2 y..... }		60	21½ d.
					{ Ex.....3 y. Ex..... }			
	F. D. 25.	Hortense J. Backus.	{ 20 d. June.. } { 3 d. July.. }	9	{ Ex.....4 y. Ex....4 y. }		91	24 d.
					{ Gen'l Assistant...1 y. }			
	P. S. 26.	Henrietta Gerlitz.....	8 d. June....	7	Ex.....Ex.....		17	.....
22d.	M. D. 69.	Isabel H. Cameron....	12 d. May....	7	{ Good...2 y..... }		37	7 d.
					{ Ex.....3 y. Ex..... }			
	F. D. 17.	Anna M. Robinson....	11 d. June....	8	Ex.....Ex.....		65	25 d.
	P. D. 17.	Mary Anderson.....	2 d. June....	16	Ex.....Ex.....		16	11 d.
	P. D. 58.	Sarah Greer.....	20 d. June....	8	Ex.....Ex.....		49	19 d.
	P. D. 67.	Catharine Gass	9 d. June....	11	{ Good...1 y..... }		35	1 d.
					{ Ex.....4 y. Ex..... }			
	P. D. 67.	Emma J. McKibbin....	2½ d. June....	6	{ Fair....1 y..... }		40	.....
					{ Ex.....4 y. Ex..... }			
	P. D. 80.	Cath. A. Thompson....	13 d. June....	29	Management Good.....		6	.....
23d.	P. D. 62.	Sarah J. MacPherson..	1 d. June....	17	Ex.....Ex.....		18	.....

Ayes—The PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, and Commissioners Crary, Holt, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—11.

Nay—Commissioner Pomeroy—1.

Commissioner CRAWFORD presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred so much of the report of the Committee on Evening Schools, abolishing the Evening Schools held in G. S. No. 29 and G. S. No. 81, as amends section 101 of the by-laws, by striking these schools from the list of Evening Schools (Journal, pp. 432, 483); stating, that the Board having abolished the Evening Schools formerly held in Grammar Schools Nos. 29 and 81 respectively, the Committee recommend that section 101 of the by-laws be amended by striking these schools from the list.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That section 101 of the by-laws be amended by striking from the list of Evening Schools "G. S. No. 29," in the "First Ward," and "G. S. No. 81," in the "Sixteenth Ward."

GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	} Committee on By-Laws, &c.
FERDINAND TRAUD,	
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	
WILLIAM WOOD,	

Commissioner TRAUD asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Holt, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—12.

Commissioner CRAWFORD presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Course of Study and

School Books, relative to the introduction of physical instruction in three schools (found in Journal, pp. 375, 376, 412, 413); stating, that the Board having adopted the report and resolutions, the matter was then referred to this Committee for the purpose of framing a by-law.

The Committee recommend that the first resolution be enacted as a by-law :

§ — The City Superintendent shall select and designate three schools in which to introduce the subject of physical exercise, and that the Committee on Course of Study and School Books be authorized to furnish to said schools so selected, the necessary apparatus as recommended by the Turner Bund, at a cost not to exceed \$194 for each school, or as much of this amount as may be necessary; also, that the Committee on Course of Study and School Books be authorized to employ an instructor at a salary not to exceed \$50 per month, to take charge of this special branch of instruction, for one year, under the direction of the City Superintendent as to time, &c., &c., and that statistics be kept by said City Superintendent, with reference thereto, and a report to be made of the result of the same at the end of that term.

GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	} Committee
FERDINAND TRAUD,	
WILLIAM WOOD,	
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	
	on
	<i>By-Laws, &c.</i>

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner CRAWFORD presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, relative to the petition of Hiram Merritt, Trustee of the Seventeenth Ward, asking for the reimbursement of money paid for school purposes, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Committee on By-Laws, to which was referred the petition of Hiram Merritt (meeting of February 18, 1885), and which is annexed hereto, respectfully report :

That a Sub-Committee was appointed to confer with the

Counsel to the Corporation in regard to the allegations of the petition, and an interview took place between such Sub-Committee and the Senior Assistant Corporation Counsel.

Upon hearing all the facts, the latter expressed as his opinion that if the work in question was done faithfully and for a fair price, and there was no doubt of the good faith of the transaction, a retrospective appropriation might be made which would satisfy the statute.

Mr. Merritt neither ordered nor superintended the work, but signed the voucher with three other Trustees, after satisfying himself by personal inspection that the work had been done, and done well.

An action was brought against the four trustees, and after judgment had been entered against them, a levy by the Sheriff was threatened on Mr. Merritt's property, who, in apprehension of such levy, was forced to pay the entire judgment some \$228.95. A transcript of the judgment and the receipt of the attorney for the plaintiff are hereto annexed.

The excellence of the work, and the adequacy of the price have never been questioned.

Your Committee is of opinion that Mr. Merritt should be reimbursed, and submit the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of \$228.95 be appropriated from the fund, for the payment of said claim of Hiram Merritt, and that said amount be paid to him.

GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	} Committee on By-Laws, &c.
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	
FERDINAND TRAUD,	
WILLIAM WOOD,	

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner SIMMONS presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, in compliance with the following resolution adopted June 17 (Journal, p. 471) :

“ Resolved, That the subject of inquiring into the circumstances under which a fine was imposed on the late John Boyle,

Principal Grammar School No. 74, be referred to the By-Laws Committee, with the view of ascertaining and reporting to this Board whether the said fine may not be remitted and allowed to the family of the deceased principal, if not inconsistent with law, or prejudicial to good discipline, on account of the great services rendered by deceased as principal and teacher for thirty-five years"—

Stating, that, in the opinion of the Committee, the relief asked for in the resolution cannot be granted without rescinding the resolution which was adopted by an almost unanimous vote of this Board on July 13, 1881 (Journal, 1881, pp. 607-617), by which the fine was imposed on the late John Boyle. The Committee deem it inexpedient to take such action.

We sympathize deeply with the widow of Mr. Boyle, and would grant her the relief contemplated in the resolution under consideration if it were in our power to do so, but as we have no jurisdiction in the matter, we respectfully ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject, and submit the following resolution for adoption:

Resolved, That the Committee on By-Laws, &c., &c., be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution adopted June 17 (Journal, p. 471), with reference to remitting the fine imposed on the late John Boyle.

GILBERT H. CRAWFORD, WILLIAM WOOD, EUGENE H. POMEROY,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, &c.</i>
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Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, submitting a statement of the condition of the Contingent Fund, as follows:

To the Board of Education:

The Committee on Buildings, in compliance with section 53, subdivision 2 of the by-laws, respectfully submit herewith a

statement of the condition of the portion of the Buildings Contingent Fund, together with a list of repairs and expenditures authorized to September 9, 1885.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID WETMORE,
EUGENE H. POMEROY,
G. SCHWAB,
R. M. GALLAWAY,

} Committee
on
Buildings.

September 16, 1885.

STATEMENT.

Portion of Fund to be expended under direction of Committee.....\$19,200

Expenditures.

Expended per last report..... \$638 32

Expended since last report:

WARD. SCHOOL.

5.	G. S. 44.	Sky-lights.....	\$72 61
	G. S. 44.	Gas fixtures....	59 25
	P. S. 11.	Hand-rails.....	70 00
	G. S. 44.	Repair water-closet.....	19 90
	P. S. 11.	Repairing sewer.....	8 74
6.	G. S. 23.	Slate removed, &c.....	72 70
	G. S. 23.	Stairs, and remove partition...	129 86
	G. S. 24.	Change location of girls' closet..	59 89
7.	G. S. 2.	New leaders, &c.....	34 20
9.	P. S. 7.	Repair pump and ceilings.....	19 68
12.	G. S. 46.	Brick work, ordered by Fire Department	112 72
	G. S. 78.	Separating playground and closets....	146 28
	G. S. 57.	Repairing tower clock.....	35 00
	G. S. 54.	Repair croton and sewer pipe..	74 25
	G. S. 57.	Fence, &c., with gate.....	34 95
	Branch 78.	Repairing water closet.....	120 11
	" "	" roof.....	33 62
13.	P. S. 20.	Repairing water pipes.	22 70
14.	G. S. 5.	Repairing leader and gutter....	27 40
	G. S. 5.	Repairing ceilings.....	37 25
	G. S. 21.	Temporary fence, shoring up...	133 45
	G. S. 30.	Repair privy, hydrant and pipes	95 68

WARD. SCHOOL.

15.	G. S. 10.	General repairs.....	\$104 54
16.	G. S. 81.	Carpenter, paint and mason, &c.	131 57
19.	G. S. 18.	Repair drain.....	16 37
20.	G. S. 33.	Flooring, &c....	70 36
22.	P. S. 41.	Repair sewer pipes, &c....	120 00
	G. S. 51.	Repairing brick wall.....	147 50
	G. S. 9.	Hydrant.....	23 50
	G. S. 80.	Repair service pipe, cleaning sink... ..	19 10
	G. S. 28.	Plaster, paint and repair.....	38 95
	G. S. 28.	Raising floor; plaster and paint.	163 89
			<hr/> \$2,255 97

Total..... \$2,894 29

Authorized Expenditures—Bills not Rendered.

1.	G. S. 29.	Small gongs.....	\$40 00
2.	P. S. 34.	Painting, &c.....	30 00
3.	P. S. 37.	New floor girls' playground....	50 00
4.	P. S. 12.	Paint and kalsomine.....	75 00
5.	P. S. 11.	Repair floor, doors, &c.....	50 00
	P. S. 11.	Kalsomine and paint.....	50 00
6.	P. S. 2.	Filling up vault.....	20 00
	P. S. 8.	Taking down partition.....	30 00
	P. S. 2.	Repair, Kalsomine, &c.....	100 00
	P. S. 8.	Flooring; flagging; paint; kal- sominer.....	100 00
	G. S. 24.	Water closet for male teachers.	45 00
	G. S. 23.	Paint walls, &c.....	100 00
7.	G. S. 2.	Alter boys' closet	150 00
	G. S. 2.	Doors; alter stairs and screens.	125 00
	G. S. 12.	Screens; kalsomine.....	65 00
	P. S. 36.	Paint front doors and rail; gas fixtures.....	75 00
8.	G. S. 8.	Flooring; whitewashing.....	50 00
	G. S. 28.	Repair ceiling, water closet, roof, gas fixtures, gong: white- wash.....	150 00
	P. S. 25.	General repair.....	115 00
9.	P. S. 13.	Repair handrails and flooring...	65 00
	P. S. 18.	Repair; kalsomine; varnish...	75 00
10.	G. S. 7.	Repair roof....	150 00
	G. S. 7.	Make opening from cellar to walk.. ..	30 00
	G. S. 75.	Paint; repair sliding doors....	200 00

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11.	G. S. 15.	Partition; repair iron rail; flagging; coping, &c.....	\$120 00
	G. S. 22.	Flagging.....	100 00
	P. S. 8.	Take down partition; kalsomine	75 00
	P. S. 31.	Kalsomining.	20 00
12.	G. S. 54.	Altering storeroom.	100 00
	G. S. 4.	Strip ceilings kalsomine; paint doors repair sliding doors...	125 00
	G. S. 46.	Repair plank-walk and fences...	35 00
	G. S. 57.	Repair floors; leaders; new wood steps.....	55 00
	G. S. 68.	Flagging; mason; repairs, paint, &c.....	200 00
	Branch } G. S. 78. }	Repair sheds, walks, &c.....	50 00
	P. S. 42.	Repair planks; fences; flooring; kalsomine....	85 00
	P. D. } G. S. 83. }	Wood fence; change sewer....	200 00
	G. S. 52.	Repair, paint and kalsomine....	125 00
	P. D. } G. S. 83. }	Temporary privies.....	200 00
13.	G. S. 4.	Paint; kalsomine; doors.....	200 00
	P. S. 10.	Repair blinds; plaster, &c.....	40 00
	G. S. 84.	Wardrobes.....	155 00
14.	G. S. 21.	Gas pumps.....	200 00
	G. S. 20.	Flooring and general repairs ..	125 00
	G. S. 21.	Tanks, &c.....	160 00
	G. S. 30.	Painting.....	45 00
15.	G. S. 10.	General repairs.....	100 00
16.	G. S. 11.	Secure chimney, coping, &c...	200 00
17.	P. S. 22.	Water closet for Trustees.....	200 00
	P. S. 22.	Flagging; paint front halls, &c.; kalsomine.....	100 00
	G. S. 19.	Repair water closet.....	200 00
	G. S. 79.	Gas fixtures.....	200 00
18.	P. S. 4.	Paint and general repairs.....	190 00
	P. S. 29.	Repair iron rail; kalsomine, &c	100 00
	G. S. 40.	Paint stone stairway.....	60 00
19.	G. S. 27.	Repairs.....	95 00
	G. S. 73.	Paint stair case, street doors...	125 00
	G. S. 70.	Window guards and hand rails.	25 00
	G. S. 70.	Wardrobes P. D.....	40 00
	G. S. 70.	Ladder to roof.....	5 00
	G. S. 70.	Repair tin roof of closets.....	50 00
	G. S. 27.	Rebuild yard wall.....	25 00

WARD. SCHOOL.

20.	G. S. 32.	Water closet for male teachers.	\$200 00	
	G. S. 33.	Repair, &c.....	200 00	
	G. S. 48.	Flagging.....	50 00	
	P. S. 27.	Flooring; head-boards, &c.....	200 00	
21.	G. S. 49.	Repairs; plaster; closets.....	185 00	
	P. S. 16.	Paint; flagging; rebuild walls of closet.....	200 00	
	G. S. 14.	Paint iron stairs.....	100 00	
22.	G. S. 69.	Slate floor in water closet.....	39 60	
	G. S. 28.	Flooring; plaster and paint....	155 00	
	G. S. 67.	Sheds; weather strips; hydrant	200 00	
	G. S. 9.	Repairs, &c.....	185 00	
	G. S. 17.	" ".....	195 00	
	G. S. 51.	" ".....	200 00	
	G. S. 69.	" ".....	200 00	
23.	{ Branch	{ Kalsomine; clean, &c.....	50 00	
	G. D. 60.			
	P. D. 60.	Plaster; hand rail; slate floor; repair wall, &c.....	200 00	
	G. S. 62.	Plastering; remove wainscot...	200 00	
24	G. S. 63.	Paint; clean vault	125 00	
	G. S. 64.	Paint fences.....	200 00	
	G. S. 65.	Kalsomine; new steps; board fence; clean closet.....	200 00	
	G. S. 66.	Repair fence; paint fence; clean vault.....	125 00	
	G. S. 66.	Paint class room walls, &c.....	75 00	
	P. S. 45.	New ceiling; paint walls.....	75 00	
	P. S. 46.	Repair pump, vaults and stone wall; new roof on shed.....	75 00	
	P. S. 47.	Vent pipes; repair roof and plank walks; new flooring; cords; sliding doors.....	90 00	
	P. S. 45.	Kalsomining	70 00	
			<hr/>	\$9,874 60
Total.....				<hr/> \$12,768 89
Balance.....				<hr/> \$6,431 11

Authorized—Wait Receipt of Bill.

- 6. P. S. 2. Move partition.....
- 12. G. S. 43. Hooks and racks for clothing...
- 14. G. S. 21. Shore up rear wing.....

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

Commissioner TRAUD asked and obtained unanimous consent, for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Holt, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—13.

Commissioner TRAUD presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, to whom was referred the nomination by the Trustees of the Eighth Ward, of a Principal and Assistant Teachers for the Female Evening School, held in G. S. No. 38; stating, that the City Superintendent reported on the qualifications of the several persons named in the resolution attached to this report. They hold the necessary license to teach, and are in every way qualified for the respective positions.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the following named persons be, and they hereby are appointed to the respective positions named herein, in the Female Evening School, to be held in Grammar School No. 38, in the Eighth Ward, for the term of 1885 and 1886 :

Miss Maggie E. Scanlan, Principal.

Miss Mary A. McGovern, Assistant.

Miss Margaret C. Healey, “

Miss Lily E. Dolan, “

Miss Kate A. Ahern, “ and Music.

FERDINAND TRAUD,	}	<i>Committee on Evening Schools.</i>
W. J. WELCH,		
CHARLES CRARY,		
HENRY SCHMITT,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		

Commissioner TRAUD asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would

adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Holt, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—13.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented a report from the Auditing Committee ; stating, that they have examined the accompanying bills, and believing the items thereof to be correct and the charges reasonable, recommend their payment by the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the following named bills be and they hereby are approved for payment :

Clark & Wilkins, hickory wood, Hall of Board,	
Aug. 31.....	\$40 00
Edward Higgins, cleaning Hall of Board,	
Sept. 7.....	87 50
James McCreery, lambrequins, poles, plush,	
shades, upholstering 3 chairs in Board	
room, Sept. 2.....	383 20
Joshua Gregg, carpets, chairs, linoleum, &c.,	
Hall of Board, July 17-23, Sept. 2-5, '85..	508 85
J. E. Muller, painting, kalsomining, &c.,	
Hall of Board (extra work), Sept.	
7, '85.....	\$225 25
J. E. Muller, painting, &c., Janitor's	
apartments, contract work, Sept. 7.	186 00
J. E. Muller, painting, &c., Board	
room, contract, Sept. 7.....	84 00
J. E. Muller, painting, &c., Janitor's	
apartments (extra work), Sept. 7..	72 00
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	567 25
Charles S. Sherman, ventilating pipe	
and reflector, Commissioners' room,	
Aug. 14-18, '85.....	\$100 21
Charles S. Sherman, ventilating water	
closets and cesspools in rear Hall	
of Board, Aug. 6-11, '85.	45 00

Charles S. Sherman, new water closet, &c., third floor, Hall of Board, Aug. 12-24, '85.....	\$33 14	
	<hr/>	\$178 35
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cause of absence in each case reported herein is personal illness.

A statement is submitted, showing the record of each applicant for the past five years.

The Committee recommend that the absences be excused, with full pay, for the time stated in the column "Time allowed," in the following resolution, which is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the following named teachers be excused for absence, with full pay, for the "time allowed" herein :

WARD.	School.	Name.	Time Allowed.	Years of Service.	Instruction.	Discipline.	No. Days Lost.	Exc. with full pay.
11th.	M. D. 16.	Eliz. J. Hunter.....	{ 3 d. June..... 1 d. July.....	11	Ex.....	Ex.....	5
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EUGENE KELLY,
WILLIAM WOOD,

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Committee
on
Teachers.

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At the latter date three candidates presented themselves, the highest, Miss Helena C. Gaskin, receiving over 95 per cent. ; the second highest, Miss Alice Bell Rich, receiving over 85 per cent. ; the lowest receiving over 82 per cent.

The Committee recommend that Miss Helena C. Gaskin be

in Male, Mixed and Female Grammar Schools, and in Primary Schools and Departments, shall be of the following classes and amounts, viz. :

Male Grammar Schools.

1st Class	\$1,113
2d "	1,017
3d. "	930
4th "	852
5th "	783
6th "	723
7th "	672
8th "	630

Mixed Grammar Schools.

1st class	\$1,077
2d "	981
3d "	894
4th "	816
5th "	747
6th "	687
7th "	636
8th "	594

Female Grammar Schools.

1st class	\$1,041
2d "	945
3d "	858
4th "	780
5th "	711
6th "	651
7th "	600
8th "	558

Primary Departments and Schools.

1st class	\$900
2d "	834
3d "	774
4th "	720

a certain arrangement, both put into practice the theory of civil service reform, and also save \$752 per annum to the Board of Education.

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Janitor of the Training Department to be	
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The Committee recommend that this plan be adopted, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

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WILLIAM WOOD,	} Committee	
G. SCHWAB,		on
EUGENE KELLY,		Normal College.

Commissioner Wood asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

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Nay—Commissioner Pomeroy—1.

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The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

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GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	} Committee on By-Laws, &c.
FERDINAND TRAUD,	
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	
WILLIAM WOOD,	

Commissioner TRAUD asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Holt, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—12.

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GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	} Committee on By-Laws, &c.
FERDINAND TRAUD,	
WILLIAM WOOD,	
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner CRAWFORD presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, relative to the petition of Hiram Merritt, Trustee of the Seventeenth Ward, asking for the reimbursement of money paid for school purposes, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Committee on By-Laws, to which was referred the petition of Hiram Merritt (meeting of February 18, 1885), and which is annexed hereto, respectfully report :

That a Sub-Committee was appointed to confer with the

Counsel to the Corporation in regard to the allegations of the petition, and an interview took place between such Sub-Committee and the Senior Assistant Corporation Counsel.

Upon hearing all the facts, the latter expressed as his opinion that if the work in question was done faithfully and for a fair price, and there was no doubt of the good faith of the transaction, a retrospective appropriation might be made which would satisfy the statute.

Mr. Merritt neither ordered nor superintended the work, but signed the voucher with three other Trustees, after satisfying himself by personal inspection that the work had been done, and done well.

An action was brought against the four trustees, and after judgment had been entered against them, a levy by the Sheriff was threatened on Mr. Merritt's property, who, in apprehension of such levy, was forced to pay the entire judgment some \$228.95. A transcript of the judgment and the receipt of the attorney for the plaintiff are hereto annexed.

The excellence of the work, and the adequacy of the price have never been questioned.

Your Committee is of opinion that Mr. Merritt should be reimbursed, and submit the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of \$228.95 be appropriated from the fund, for the payment of said claim of Hiram Merritt, and that said amount be paid to him.

GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	} Committee on By-Laws, &c.
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	
FERDINAND TRAUD,	
WILLIAM WOOD,	

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner SIMMONS presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, in compliance with the following resolution adopted June 17 (Journal, p. 471) :

Resolved, That the subject of inquiring into the circumstances under which a fine was imposed on the late John Boyle,

Principal Grammar School No. 74, be referred to the By-Laws Committee, with the view of ascertaining and reporting to this Board whether the said fine may not be remitted and allowed to the family of the deceased principal, if not inconsistent with law, or prejudicial to good discipline, on account of the great services rendered by deceased as principal and teacher for thirty-five years"—

Stating, that, in the opinion of the Committee, the relief asked for in the resolution cannot be granted without rescinding the resolution which was adopted by an almost unanimous vote of this Board on July 13, 1881 (Journal, 1881, pp. 607-617), by which the fine was imposed on the late John Boyle. The Committee deem it inexpedient to take such action.

We sympathize deeply with the widow of Mr. Boyle, and would grant her the relief contemplated in the resolution under consideration if it were in our power to do so, but as we have no jurisdiction in the matter, we respectfully ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject, and submit the following resolution for adoption:

Resolved, That the Committee on By-Laws, &c., &c., be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution adopted June 17 (Journal, p. 471), with reference to remitting the fine imposed on the late John Boyle.

GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	} Committee	
WILLIAM WOOD,		on
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		By-Laws, &c.

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, submitting a statement of the condition of the Contingent Fund, as follows:

To the Board of Education:

The Committee on Buildings, in compliance with section 53, subdivision 2 of the by-laws, respectfully submit herewith a

statement of the condition of the portion of the Buildings Contingent Fund, together with a list of repairs and expenditure authorized to September 9, 1885.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID WETMORE,
EUGENE H. POMEROY,
G. SCHWAB,
R. M. GALLAWAY,

} Committee
on
Buildings.

September 16, 1885.

STATEMENT.

Portion of Fund to be expended under direction of Committee.....\$19,200 00

Expenditures.

Expended per last report..... \$638 32

Expended since last report:

WARD. SCHOOL.

5.	G. S. 44.	Sky-lights.....	\$72 61
	G. S. 44.	Gas fixtures....	59 25
	P. S. 11.	Hand-rails.....	70 00
	G. S. 44.	Repair water-closet.....	19 90
	P. S. 11.	Repairing sewer.....	8 74
6.	G. S. 23.	Slate removed, &c.....	72 70
	G. S. 23.	Stairs, and remove partition...	129 86
	G. S. 24.	Change location of girls' closet..	59 89
7.	G. S. 2.	New leaders, &c.....	34 20
9.	P. S. 7.	Repair pump and ceilings.....	19 63
12.	G. S. 46.	Brick work, ordered by Fire Department	112 72
	G. S. 78.	Separating playground and closets....	146 28
	G. S. 57.	Repairing tower clock.....	35 00
	G. S. 54.	Repair croton and sewer pipe..	74 25
	G. S. 57.	Fence, &c., with gate.....	34 95
	Branch 78.	Repairing water closet.....	120 11
	" "	" roof.....	33 62
13.	P. S. 20.	Repairing water pipes.	22 70
14.	G. S. 5.	Repairing leader and gutter....	27 40
	G. S. 5.	Repairing ceilings.....	37 25
	G. S. 21.	Temporary fence, shoring up...	133 45
	G. S. 30.	Repair privy, hydrant and pipes	95 68

WARD. SCHOOL.

15.	G. S. 10.	General repairs.....	\$104 54
16.	G. S. 81.	Carpenter, paint and mason, &c.	181 57
19.	G. S. 18.	Repair drain.....	16 37
20.	G. S. 33.	Flooring, &c....	70 36
22.	P. S. 41.	Repair sewer pipes, &c.....	120 00
	G. S. 51.	Repairing brick wall.....	147 50
	G. S. 9.	Hydrant.....	23 50
	G. S. 80.	Repair service pipe, cleaning sink... ..	19 10
	G. S. 28.	Plaster, paint and repair.....	38 95
	G. S. 28.	Raising floor; plaster and paint.	163 89
			<hr/> \$2,255 97

Total..... \$2,894 29

Authorized Expenditures—Bills not Rendered.

1.	G. S. 29.	Small gongs.....	\$40 00
2.	P. S. 34.	Painting, &c.....	30 00
3.	P. S. 37.	New floor girls' playground....	50 00
4.	P. S. 12.	Paint and kalsomine.....	75 00
5.	P. S. 11.	Repair floor, doors, &c.....	50 00
	P. S. 11.	Kalsomine and paint.....	50 00
6.	P. S. 2.	Filling up vault.....	20 00
	P. S. 8.	Taking down partition.....	30 00
	P. S. 2.	Repair, Kalsomine, &c.....	100 00
	P. S. 8.	Flooring; flagging; paint; kal- somine.....	100 00
	G. S. 24.	Water closet for male teachers.	45 00
	G. S. 23.	Paint walls, &c.....	100 00
7.	G. S. 2.	Alter boys' closet	150 00
	G. S. 2.	Doors; alter stairs and screens.	125 00
	G. S. 12.	Screens; kalsomine.....	65 00
	P. S. 36.	Paint front doors and rail; gas fixtures.....	75 00
8.	G. S. 8.	Flooring; whitewashing.....	50 00
	G. S. 28.	Repair ceiling, water closet, roof, gas fixtures, gong: white- wash.....	150 00
	P. S. 25.	General repair.....	115 00
9.	P. S. 13.	Repair handrails and flooring...	65 00
	P. S. 18.	Repair; kalsomine; varnish...	75 00
10.	G. S. 7.	Repair roof....	150 00
	G. S. 7.	Make opening from cellar to walk.. ..	30 00
	G. S 75.	Paint; repair sliding doors....	200 00

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A statement is submitted, showing the record of each applicant for the past five years.

The Committee recommend that the absences be excused, with full pay, for the time stated in the column "Time allowed," in the following resolution, which is submitted for adoption :

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Committee
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At the latter date three candidates presented themselves, the highest, Miss Helena C. Gaskin, receiving over 95 per cent. ; the second highest, Miss Alice Bell Rich, receiving over 85 per cent. ; the lowest receiving over 82 per cent.

The Committee recommend that Miss Helena C. Gaskin be

appointed to the position made vacant by the resignation of Miss Knight, at an annual salary of \$800.

In consequence of the large number of students in Prof. Day's department, the present tutor having to instruct between four and five hundred students, and the Professor from five hundred and seventy to six hundred students, the Committee deem it absolutely necessary that an additional tutor should be appointed in the Department of Natural Science, and they recommend that Miss Alice Bell Rich, having received the second highest per cent. in the competitive examination, be appointed to such position at an annual salary of \$800.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That Miss Helena C. Gaskin be and hereby is appointed a tutor in the Department of Natural Science in the Normal College, *vice* Miss Elizabeth G. Knight resigned ; and that Miss Alice Bell Rich be appointed an additional tutor in the Department of Natural Science in the Normal College, at an annual salary of eight hundred dollars (\$800) each, to date from the commencement of service subsequent to the passage of this resolution.

WILLIAM WOOD,	} Committee
GUSTAV SCHWAB,	
EUGENE KELLY,	
	on
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EUGENE H. POMEROY,	

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner CRAWFORD presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, relative to the petition of Hiram Merritt, Trustee of the Seventeenth Ward, asking for the reimbursement of money paid for school purposes, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Committee on By-Laws, to which was referred the petition of Hiram Merritt (meeting of February 18, 1885), and which is annexed hereto, respectfully report :

That a Sub-Committee was appointed to confer with the

Counsel to the Corporation in regard to the allegations of the petition, and an interview took place between such Subcommittee and the Senior Assistant Corporation Counsel.

Upon hearing all the facts, the latter expressed as his opinion that if the work in question was done faithfully and for a fair price, and there was no doubt of the good faith of the transaction, a retrospective appropriation might be made which would satisfy the statute.

Mr. Merritt neither ordered nor superintended the work, but signed the voucher with three other Trustees, after satisfying himself by personal inspection that the work had been done, and done well.

An action was brought against the four trustees, and after judgment had been entered against them, a levy by the Sheriff was threatened on Mr. Merritt's property, who, in apprehension of such levy, was forced to pay the entire judgment some \$228.95. A transcript of the judgment and the receipt of the attorney for the plaintiff are hereto annexed.

The excellence of the work, and the adequacy of the price have never been questioned.

Your Committee is of opinion that Mr. Merritt should be reimbursed, and submit the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of \$228.95 be appropriated from the fund, for the payment of said claim of Hiram Merritt, and that said amount be paid to him.

GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	} Committee on By-Laws, &c.
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	
FERDINAND TRAUD,	
WILLIAM WOOD,	

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner SIMMONS presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, in compliance with the following resolution adopted June 17 (Journal, p. 471) :

“ Resolved, That the subject of inquiring into the circumstances under which a fine was imposed on the late John Boyle,

Principal Grammar School No. 74, be referred to the By-Laws Committee, with the view of ascertaining and reporting to this Board whether the said fine may not be remitted and allowed to the family of the deceased principal, if not inconsistent with law, or prejudicial to good discipline, on account of the great services rendered by deceased as principal and teacher for thirty-five years"—

Stating, that, in the opinion of the Committee, the relief asked for in the resolution cannot be granted without rescinding the resolution which was adopted by an almost unanimous vote of this Board on July 13, 1881 (Journal, 1881, pp. 607-617), by which the fine was imposed on the late John Boyle. The Committee deem it inexpedient to take such action.

We sympathize deeply with the widow of Mr. Boyle, and would grant her the relief contemplated in the resolution under consideration if it were in our power to do so, but as we have no jurisdiction in the matter, we respectfully ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject, and submit the following resolution for adoption:

Resolved, That the Committee on By-Laws, &c., &c., be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution adopted June 17 (Journal, p. 471), with reference to remitting the fine imposed on the late John Boyle.

GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	} Committee on By-Laws, &c.
WILLIAM WOOD,	
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, submitting a statement of the condition of the Contingent Fund, as follows:

To the Board of Education:

The Committee on Buildings, in compliance with section 53, subdivision 2 of the by-laws, respectfully submit herewith a

STATEMENT.

Portion of Fund to be expended under direction of Committee... . \$4,81

Expenditures.

Expended per last report..... \$691 47

Expended since last report:

WARD. SCHOOL.

6.	G. S. 23.	Moving furniture.....	\$49 96
7.	G. S. 31.	Changing furniture one room F. D.	175 00
8.	G. S. 33.	Chairs.....	22 18
10.	G. S. 7.	"	12 00
	G. S. 20.	"	40 00
11.	G. S. 36.	"	88 50
	G. S. 15.	"	90 00
	P. S. 5.	Lounges.....	20 00
12.	G. S. 63.	Carpets and lounge.....	90 79
	G. S. 57.	Fitting up room.....	96 78
	G. S. 68.	Chairs and table.....	40 00
	G. S. 46.	New clock F. D.....	12 00
	G. S. 68.	Furniture for two new rooms....	118 55
	G. S. 68.	Change position of furniture one room.....	49 50
	G. S. 68.	Chairs.....	18 00
13.	G. S. 4.	Teacher's desk, blackboard and table.....	168 00
16.	G. S. 45.	Chairs.....	20 00
19.	G. S. 59.	Repair settees.....	74 50
	G. S. 76.	Blackboard and desk.....	30 60
	G. S. 27.	Blackboards.....	24 20
	G. S. 59.	Repairs back seats.....	49 25
20.	G. S. 32.	Repair piano P. D.....	75 00
	G. S. 32.	" M. D.....	30 00
22.	G. S. 69.	Chairs.....	47 25
23 {	Branch	Desks, chairs, tables, settees, &c.	199 41
	G. D. 60.		

1,641 42

Authorized Bills not Rendered.

2.	P. S. 34.	Repair piano.....	\$75 00
3.	G. S. 44.	" F. D.....	75 00
	G. S. 44.	" P. D.....	75 00
	P. S. 11.	"	75 00
6.	P. S. 2.	Removing desks and seats, &c....	100 00
	G. S. 23.	Settees from shop.....	149 95

WARD. SCHOOL.

15.	G. S. 10.	General repairs.....	\$104 54
16.	G. S. 81.	Carpenter, paint and mason, &c.	131 57
19.	G. S. 18.	Repair drain.....	16 37
20.	G. S. 33.	Flooring, &c....	70 36
22.	P. S. 41.	Repair sewer pipes, &c.....	120 00
	G. S. 51.	Repairing brick wall.....	147 50
	G. S. 9.	Hydrant.....	23 50
	G. S. 80.	Repair service pipe, cleaning sink... ..	19 10
	G. S. 28.	Plaster, paint and repair.....	38 95
	G. S. 28.	Raising floor; plaster and paint.	163 89
			<hr/> \$2,255 97 <hr/>

Total..... \$2,894 29

Authorized Expenditures—Bills not Rendered.

1.	G. S. 29.	Small gongs.....	\$40 00
2.	P. S. 34.	Painting, &c.....	30 00
3.	P. S. 37.	New floor girls' playground....	50 00
4.	P. S. 12.	Paint and kalsomine.....	75 00
5.	P. S. 11.	Repair floor, doors, &c.....	50 00
	P. S. 11.	Kalsomine and paint.....	50 00
6.	P. S. 2.	Filling up vault.....	20 00
	P. S. 8.	Taking down partition.....	30 00
	P. S. 2.	Repair, Kalsomine, &c.....	100 00
	P. S. 8.	Flooring; flagging; paint; kal- somine.....	100 00
	G. S. 24.	Water closet for male teachers.	45 00
	G. S. 23.	Paint walls, &c.....	100 00
7.	G. S. 2.	Alter boys' closet	150 00
	G. S. 2.	Doors; alter stairs and screens.	125 00
	G. S. 12.	Screens; kalsomine.....	65 00
	P. S. 36.	Paint front doors and rail; gas fixtures.....	75 00
8.	G. S. 8.	Flooring; whitewashing.....	50 00
	G. S. 28.	Repair ceiling, water closet, roof, gas fixtures, gong: white- wash.....	150 00
	P. S. 25.	General repair.....	115 00
9.	P. S. 13.	Repair handrails and flooring...	65 00
	P. S. 18.	Repair; kalsomine; varnish...	75 00
10.	G. S. 7.	Repair roof....	150 00
	G. S. 7.	Make opening from cellar to walk.. ..	30 00
	G. S 75.	Paint; repair sliding doors....	200 00

foot, it being specified in the specification that about 650 lineal feet will be required.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the Committee on Buildings be and hereby are authorized to enter into a contract with Pearce & Jones for placing a submarine cable across Harlem River at Second avenue, for the sum of fifty cents (50 cents) per lineal foot, the aggregate expense of said cable and the laying thereof not to exceed the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars (\$350); to be done in connection with their contract for connecting the school buildings with the telegraph system of the Fire Department. But no part of said money to be paid until the Committee on Buildings shall have duly filed the contract to be entered into by them with Pearce & Jones, together with satisfactory sureties for the faithful performance of the same.

DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
G. SCHWAB,		
R. M. GALLAWAY.		

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the bill of Wm. B. Pettit, \$385, for excavating fast rock, done in connection with his contract for erecting the addition to G. S. No. 32; stating, that the contract provides that "the removal of 'fast rock' is to be considered as *extra work*, and to be paid for at the rate of two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50) per cubic yard, upon the certificate of Amerman & Ford, City Surveyors, as to the quantity of 'fast rock' removed."

Messrs. Amerman & Ford, City Surveyors, have certified that one hundred and fifty-four cubic yards of rock have been removed.

The Committee recommend that an appropriation of \$385 be made for the payment of the bill, and submit the following *resolution* for adoption :

Resolved, That the sum of three hundred and eighty-five dollars (\$385) be and hereby is appropriated in payment of the bill of Wm. B. Pettit for removing fast rock, done in connection with his contract for erecting an addition to Grammar School building No. 32.

DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
G. SCHWAB,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, relative to the extra work done on the additional building of G. S. No. 33, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Committee on Buildings, to whom was re-committed their report, recommending the payment of the bill of Thomas Cockerill, \$8,286.72, for extra work done in connection with his contract for erecting the addition to Grammar School No. 33. respectfully report :

Application was made by the Trustees for authority to advertise for proposals for erecting an addition to G. S. No. 33, March 19, 1884 Journal, p. 223), and was granted on the report of this Committee made on the same date (Journal, p. 235), the plans, &c., to be prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the Committee on Buildings, and Trustees of the Twentieth Ward.

In pursuance of such authority, the plans and specifications were prepared and approved by the Committee and Trustees, which included the wall as now built, and some alterations in the then existing water closets.

The advertising then took place, and the Trustees, at the time fixed in the advertisement, opened the bids and awarded the contract to Thomas Cockerill for the sum of \$64,900, which award was confirmed by the Board of Education April 16, '84 (Journal, pp. 333, 334, 344, 346).

The Trustees, on the 30th day of April, 1884, signed a con-

tract with Mr. Cockerill for doing the work, which contained the following clause, viz.:

“SECOND.—That in case the parties of the first part, or a majority of them, shall, at any time during the progress of the said work, request any alteration, deviation, addition or omission in, to, or upon the said work, or any detail thereof as shown in and required by the said plans or drawings and specifications, the party of the second part will make each and every alteration, deviation, addition or omission so requested; and the same shall not, and shall not be held to avoid or in any way impair this contract, but the cost or expense thereof, at a fair and reasonable valuation, to be immediately agreed upon by the Superintendent of School Buildings, the parties of the first part, or a majority of them, on the one side, and the party of the second part, on the other side, and certified at the time in writing, shall be as may be just and proper, added to or deducted from the moneys to be paid to the party of the second part under this contract, and shall be accounted for and settled by and between the respective parties of the first and second parts; but the Board of Education shall not, by reason of the approval of this contract or otherwise, be or be held to be, obligated for, or required to make an appropriation, to pay the increased expense caused by any such alteration, addition or omission, unless its consent thereto be obtained; nor shall the making of any such alteration, addition or omission vary the time above limited to the performance of this contract, unless the number of days to be added to or deducted therefrom by reason thereof shall be determined and certified in writing at the time by the Superintendent of School Buildings, a majority of the parties of the first part and the party of the second part.”

While the work was in progress it appeared that a vast improvement could be made in the plans by abandoning the contemplated alteration in the then existing water closets, by substituting a new plan, which removed those closets and built others in the rear of the building.

Under the clause of the contract above referred to, the Trust-

ees applied to the Committee for the above changes and modification of plan, and this was granted by the Committee on October 27, 1884, and the new plan approved.

The work under this modified plan was done by Thomas Cockerill, he charging the actual cost therefor, with ten per cent. (10 %) added, and deducting the cost of work by the change not required to be done under the old plans.

The Committee renew the recommendation made in their reports, found on pp. 203 and 522 of the Journal of this year, that the bills be paid, and respectfully recommend the adoption of the resolutions found on pages 522 and 523 of the Journal.

Respectfully submitted,

EUGENE H. POMEROY,	} Committee on Buildings.
DAVID WETMORE,	
GUSTAV SCHWAB,	
R. M. GALLAWAY,	

September 16, 1885.

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the application of the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, to appoint John B. Peacock, Janitor of P. D. G. S. No. 60, to take charge of the leased premises occupied by a portion of G. D. No. 60, and to pay bills for his services rendered to date; stating, that the premises in One Hundred and Forty-fourth street were leased by authority of this Board, for the use of some of the classes of Grammar Department No. 60. The Janitor of P. D. G. S. No. 60 was directed by the Trustees to take charge of these premises on April 24, 1885, and has performed the duties ever since.

The Committee recommend that he be paid for the services rendered to date, at the rate prescribed in the by-laws, in addition to his present salary, and that the Trustees be authorized to continue his services in such position.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption:

Resolved, That John B. Peacock, Janitor of Primary Department Grammar School No. 60, be paid, in addition to his salary as Janitor P. D. G. S. 60, for services rendered to date in taking charge of premises leased as a branch of Grammar Department No. 60. on One Hundred and Forty-fourth street, at the rate of salary prescribed in sec. 61 of the by-laws, and that the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward be authorized to continue his services in such position at the same rate of compensation.

DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
G. SCHWAB,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner KELLY presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, submitting their award of contracts for furniture required for the additional building for the use of Grammar School No. 32 ; stating, that bids from two parties only were received for Part I, and for Part II bids from one firm only, proposing several kinds of wood and different styles of work, etc.

As your Committee cannot form a positive opinion as to the merits and value of these several styles, so as to determine intelligently upon the selections made by the Trustees, we recommend that the matter be referred to the Committee on School Furniture, it being properly within their jurisdiction, for consideration and report.

EUGENE KELLY,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner KELLY presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Buildings, relative to an arrangement made by said Committee with the "Fire Department for placing a submarine

cable across the Harlem River, at the cost, proposed by Pearce & Jones, of fifty cents per lineal foot; stating, that of the sum apportioned by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for connecting the school buildings with the "Fire and Police Electric Alarm," there remains unapplied the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250), which can be used for this cable. The Board has the ability to appropriate from the Reserved Fund the additional sum of one hundred dollars (\$100), required for the contract, if this work is to be considered as included in the term "incidental expenses," as specified in the apportionment of moneys made for "Public Instruction."

The following resolution is presented, to be considered with that submitted by the Committee on Buildings, authorizing the contract. The report of the Committee on Buildings is on the Journal of this date :

Resolved, That the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100) be and the same is hereby appropriated from the Reserve Fund, additional to the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250), to be paid from the sum specially appropriated "For connecting the Public School buildings with the Fire and Electric Police Alarm," for liquidating a contract to be made with Pearce & Jones for placing a submarine cable across the Harlem River.

EUGENE KELLY,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,		

Laid over under the rule.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Commissioner SELIGMAN offered the following :

Whereas, Thousands of girls and boys, who are residents of New York City, are unable to attend our Public Schools because we have not the money with which to erect new school buildings to accommodate them; and,

statement of the condition of the portion of the Buildings Contingent Fund, together with a list of repairs and expenditures authorized to September 9, 1885.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID WETMORE,
EUGENE H. POMEROY,
G. SCHWAB,
R. M. GALLAWAY,

} Committee
on
Buildings.

September 16, 1885.

STATEMENT.

Portion of Fund to be expended under direction of Committee.....\$19,200 00

Expenditures.

Expended per last report..... \$638 32

Expended since last report:

WARD. SCHOOL.

5.	G. S. 44.	Sky-lights.....	\$72 61
	G. S. 44.	Gas fixtures....	59 25
	P. S. 11.	Hand-rails.....	70 00
	G. S. 44.	Repair water-closet.....	19 90
	P. S. 11.	Repairing sewer.....	8 74
6.	G. S. 23.	Slate removed, &c.....	72 70
	G. S. 23.	Stairs, and remove partition...	129 86
	G. S. 24.	Change location of girls' closet..	59 89
7.	G. S. 2.	New leaders, &c.....	34 20
9.	P. S. 7.	Repair pump and ceilings.....	19 68
12.	G. S. 46.	Brick work, ordered by Fire Department	112 72
	G. S. 78.	Separating playground and closets....	146 28
	G. S. 57.	Repairing tower clock.....	35 00
	G. S. 54.	Repair croton and sewer pipe..	74 25
	G. S. 57.	Fence, &c., with gate.....	34 95
	Branch 78.	Repairing water closet.....	120 11
	" "	" roof.....	33 62
13.	P. S. 20.	Repairing water pipes.	22 70
14.	G. S. 5.	Repairing leader and gutter....	27 40
	G. S. 5.	Repairing ceilings.....	37 25
	G. S. 21.	Temporary fence, shoring up...	133 45
	G. S. 30.	Repair privy, hydrant and pipes	95 68

WARD. SCHOOL.

15.	G. S. 10.	General repairs.....	\$104 54
16.	G. S. 81.	Carpenter, paint and mason, &c.	131 57
19.	G. S. 18.	Repair drain.....	16 37
20.	G. S. 33.	Flooring, &c....	70 36
22.	P. S. 41.	Repair sewer pipes, &c....	120 00
	G. S. 51.	Repairing brick wall.....	147 50
	G. S. 9.	Hydrant.....	23 50
	G. S. 80.	Repair service pipe, cleaning sink... ..	19 10
	G. S. 28.	Plaster, paint and repair.....	38 95
	G. S. 28.	Raising floor; plaster and paint.	163 89
			<hr/> \$2,255 97

Total..... \$2,894 29

Authorized Expenditures—Bills not Rendered.

1.	G. S. 29.	Small gongs.....	\$40 00
2.	P. S. 34.	Painting, &c.....	30 00
3.	P. S. 37.	New floor girls' playground....	50 00
4.	P. S. 12.	Paint and kalsomine.....	75 00
5.	P. S. 11.	Repair floor, doors, &c....	50 00
	P. S. 11.	Kalsomine and paint.....	50 00
6.	P. S. 2.	Filling up vault.....	20 00
	P. S. 8.	Taking down partition.....	30 00
	P. S. 2.	Repair, Kalsomine, &c.....	100 00
	P. S. 8.	Flooring; flagging; paint; kal- somine.....	100 00
	G. S. 24.	Water closet for male teachers.	45 00
	G. S. 23.	Paint walls, &c.....	100 00
7.	G. S. 2.	Alter boys' closet	150 00
	G. S. 2.	Doors; alter stairs and screens.	125 00
	G. S. 12.	Screens; kalsomine.....	65 00
	P. S. 36.	Paint front doors and rail; gas fixtures.....	75 00
8.	G. S. 8.	Flooring; whitewashing.....	50 00
	G. S. 38.	Repair ceiling, water closet, roof, gas fixtures, gong: white- wash.....	150 00
	P. S. 25.	General repair.....	115 00
9.	P. S. 13.	Repair handrails and flooring...	65 00
	P. S. 18.	Repair; kalsomine; varnish...	75 00
10.	G. S. 7.	Repair roof....	150 00
	G. S. 7.	Make opening from cellar to walk... ..	30 00
	G. S. 75.	Paint; repair sliding doors....	200 00

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11.	G. S. 15.	Partition; repair iron rail; flagging; coping, &c.....	\$130 00
	G. S. 22.	Flagging.....	100 00
	P. S. 8.	Take down partition; kalsomine	75 00
	P. S. 21.	Kalsomining.	20 00
12.	G. S. 54.	Altering storeroom.	100 00
	G. S. 4.	Strip ceilings kalsomine; paint doors repair sliding doors...	125 00
	G. S. 46.	Repair plank-walk and fences...	35 00
	G. S. 57.	Repair floors; leaders; new wood steps.....	55 00
	G. S. 68.	Flagging; mason; repairs, paint, &c.....	200 00
	Branch } G. S. 78. }	Repair sheds, walks, &c.....	50 00
	P. S. 42.	Repair planks; fences; flooring; kalsomine....	85 00
	P. D. } G. S. 83. }	Wood fence; change sewer....	200 00
	G. S. 52.	Repair, paint and kalsomine...	125 00
	P. D. } G. S. 88. }	Temporary privies.....	200 00
13.	G. S. 4.	Paint; kalsomine; doors.....	200 00
	P. S. 10.	Repair blinds; plaster, &c....	40 00
	G. S. 34.	Wardrobes.....	155 00
14.	G. S. 21.	Gas pumps.....	200 00
	G. S. 30.	Flooring and general repairs ..	125 00
	G. S. 21.	Tanks, &c.....	160 00
	G. S. 30.	Painting.....	45 00
15.	G. S. 10.	General repairs	100 00
16.	G. S. 11.	Secure chimney, coping, &c...	200 00
17.	P. S. 22.	Water closet for Trustees.....	200 00
	P. S. 22.	Flagging paint front halls, &c.; kalsomine.....	100 00
	G. S. 19.	Repair water closet.....	200 00
	G. S. 79.	Gas fixtures.....	200 00
18.	P. S. 4.	Paint and general repairs.....	190 00
	P. S. 29.	Repair iron rail, kalsomine, &c	100 00
	G. S. 40.	Paint stone stairway.....	60 00
19.	G. S. 27.	Repairs.....	95 00
	G. S. 73.	Paint stair case; street doors...	125 00
	G. S. 70.	Window guards and hand rails.	25 00
	G. S. 70.	Wardrobes P. D.....	40 00
	G. S. 70.	Ladder to roof.....	5 00
	G. S. 70.	Repair tin roof of closets.....	50 00
	G. S. 27.	Rebuild yard wall.....	25 00

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20.	G. S. 32.	Water closet for male teachers.	\$200 00
	G. S. 33.	Repair, &c.....	200 00
	G. S. 48.	Flagging.....	50 00
	P. S. 27.	Flooring; head-boards, &c.....	200 00
21.	G. S. 49.	Repairs; plaster; closets.....	185 00
	P. S. 16.	Paint; flagging; rebuild walls of closet.....	200 00
	G. S. 14.	Paint iron stairs.....	100 00
22.	G. S. 69.	Slate floor in water closet.....	39 60
	G. S. 28.	Flooring; plaster and paint....	155 00
	G. S. 67.	Sheds; weather strips; hydrant	200 00
	G. S. 9.	Repairs, &c.....	185 00
	G. S. 17.	" ".....	195 00
	G. S. 51.	" ".....	200 00
	G. S. 69.	" ".....	200 00
23.	{ Branch	{ Kalsomine; clean, &c.....	50 00
	G. D. 60.		
	P. D. 60.	Plaster; hand rail; slate floor; repair wall, &c.....	200 00
	G. S. 62.	Plastering; remove wainscot...	200 00
24	G. S. 63.	Paint; clean vault	125 00
	G. S. 64.	Paint fences.....	200 00
	G. S. 65.	Kalsomine; new steps; board fence; clean closet.....	200 00
	G. S. 66.	Repair fence; paint fence; clean vault.....	125 00
	G. S. 66.	Paint class room walls, &c.....	75 00
	P. S. 45.	New ceiling; paint walls.....	75 00
	P. S. 46.	Repair pump, vaults and stone wall; new roof on shed.....	75 00
	P. S. 47.	Vent pipes; repair roof and plank walks; new flooring; cords; sliding doors.....	90 00
	P. S. 45.	Kalsomining	70 00
			<hr/> \$9,874 60
Total.....			<hr/> \$12,768 89
Balance.....			<hr/> \$6,431 11

Authorized—Wait Receipt of Bill.

- 6. P. S. 2. Move partition.....
- 12. G. S. 43. Hooks and racks for clothing...
- 14. G. S. 21. Shore up rear wing.....

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

Commissioner SCHWAB presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, submitting a statement of the condition of the Contingent Fund, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Committee on Warming and Ventilation, in compliance with section 53, subdivision 2, of the by-laws, respectfully submit herewith a statement of the condition of the portion of the Buildings Contingent Fund, together with a list of repairs and expenditures authorized to September 9, 1885.

Respectfully submitted,

GUSTAV SCHWAB,
R. M. GALLAWAY,
HENRY SCHMITT,
W. J. WELCH,

} Committee on
Warming and
Ventilation.

September 16, 1885.

STATEMENT.

Portion of Fund to be expended under direction of the Committee..... \$8,000 00

Expenditures.

Paid per last report (Journal, p.
319)..... \$244 73

Expended since:

WARD. SCHOOL.

12.	G. S. 68.	Heating new class room.	\$179 97	
13.	P. S. 20.	Range for janitor.....	45 00	
14.	G. S. 30.	New stoves.....	50 00	
17.	P. S. 9.	Remove apparatus from part of buildings.	49 52	
	G. S. 13.	Repairs.....	21 96	
20.	G. S. 33.	Alter heating apparatus.	196 75	
			<hr/> 543 20	
				<hr/> \$787 93

Authorized Bills not Rendered.

1.	G. S. 29.	General repairs.....	\$175 00
	P. S. 15.	"	30 00
2.	P. S. 34.	"	40 00
3.	P. S. 37.	"	60 00
4.	G. S. 1.	"	160 00
	P. S. 12.	"	45 00
	P. S. 14.	"	125 00

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5.	G. S. 44.	General Repairs.....	\$150 00	
	P. S. 11.	"	140 00	
6.	G. S. 24.	"	100 00	
	P. S. 2.	"	40 00	
7.	G. S. 2.	"	175 00	
	G. S. 12.	"	100 00	
	P. S. 36.	"	100 00	
8.	G. S. 8.	"	140 00	
	G. S. 38.	"	180 00	
	P. S. 25.	"	47 00	
9.	G. S. 3.	"	200 00	
	G. S. 16.	"	60 00	
	G. S. 41.	"	175 00	
	P. S. 7.	"	36 00	
	P. S. 13.	"	80 00	
	P. S. 18.	"	65 00	
	P. S. 24.	"	25 00	
10.	G. S. 7.	"	75 00	
	G. S. 20.	"	100 00	
	G. S. 42.	"	130 00	
	P. S. 1.	"	150 00	
17.	G. S. 13.	Cooking store.....	18 00	
20.	G. S. 33.	Disconnect a room, &c.....	25 00	
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				\$2,946 00
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Total.....				\$3,733 98
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Balance.....				\$4,266 07

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

Commissioner WELCH presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, submitting a statement of the condition of the Contingent Fund, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Committee on School Furniture, in compliance with section 53, subdivision 2, of the by-laws, respectfully submit herewith a statement of the condition of the portion of the Buildings Contingent Fund, together with a list of repairs and expenditures authorized to September 9, 1885.

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. WELCH,	}	Committee on School Furniture.
CHAS. L. HOLT,		
EDWARD J. H. TAMSEN,		
H. B. PERKINS,		

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STATEMENT.

Portion of Fund to be expended under direction of Committee..... \$4,81

Expenditures.

Expended per last report..... \$691 47

Expended since last report:

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6.	G. S. 23.	Moving furniture.....	\$49 96
7.	G. S. 31.	Changing furniture one room F. D.	175 00
8.	G. S. 38.	Chairs.....	22 18
10.	G. S. 7.	"	12 00
	G. S. 20.	"	40 00
11.	G. S. 36.	"	88 50
	G. S. 15.	"	90 00
	P. S. 5.	Lounge.....	20 00
12.	G. S. 68.	Carpets and lounge.....	90 79
	G. S. 57.	Fitting up room.....	96 78
	G. S. 68.	Chairs and table.....	40 00
	G. S. 46.	New clock F. D.....	12 00
	G. S. 68.	Furniture for two new rooms....	118 55
	G. S. 68.	Change position of furniture one room.....	49 50
	G. S. 68.	Chairs.....	18 00
13.	G. S. 4.	Teacher's desk, blackboard and table.....	108 00
16.	G. S. 45.	Chairs.....	20 00
19.	G. S. 59.	Repair settees.....	74 50
	G. S. 76.	Blackboard and desk.....	30 60
	G. S. 27.	Blackboards.....	24 20
	G. S. 59.	Repairs back seats.....	49 25
20.	G. S. 32.	Repair piano P. D.....	75 00
	G. S. 32.	" M. D.....	30 00
22.	G. S. 69.	Chairs.....	47 25
23 {	Branch {	Desks, chairs, tables, settees, &c.	199 41
	G. D. 60.		
			<hr/> 1,641 42

Authorized Bills not Rendered.

2.	P. S. 34.	Repair piano.....	\$75 00
5.	G. S. 44.	" F. D.....	75 00
	G. S. 44.	" P. D.....	75 00
	P. S. 11.	"	75 00
6.	P. S. 2.	Removing desks and seats, &c....	100 00
	G. S. 23.	Settees from shop.....	149 95

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7.	P. S. 36.	Transfer desks from G. S. 2 and 31.	\$22 11	
11.	P. S. 31.	Repair piano.....	60 00	
12.	G. S. 43.	Chairs.....	10 50	
	G. S. 83.	Curtains.....	25 00	
	G. S. 57.	Desk.....	12 00	
	G. S. 78.	Furnish one room	150 00	
15.	G. S. 35.	Chairs.....	36 00	
	G. S. 47.	Repair two pianos.....	10 00	
17.	G. S. 13.	Music boards.....	80 00	
	G. S. 25.	"	180 00	
	G. S. 19.	Substitute desks for settees.....	100 00	
	G. S. 13.	Repair three pianos.....	15 00	
	G. S. 19.	" "	15 00	
	G. S. 25.	" "	45 00	
	P. S. 22.	Repair piano.....	50 00	
	P. S. 9.	Removing furniture, &c., from G.		
		S. 13.....	31 80	
22.	G. S. 51.	Curtains.....	175 00	
	G. S. 9.	Substitute settees for desks.....	50 00	
	G. S. 28.	New furniture one room.....	156 65	
	G. S. 69.	Extra desks, &c.....	100 00	
	G. S. 28.	Repair piano, F. D.....	75 00	
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				\$1,949 01
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Total.....				\$4,282 00
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Balance.....				\$518 00

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Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings; stating, that in their report presented June 17th, awarding the contract for "connecting the school buildings with the telegraph system of the Fire Department" to Pearce & Jones for the sum of \$15,750 (Journal, pp. 438-440), which award was confirmed by the Board on July 1st (Journal, pp. 511, 512), it is stated that the Committee reserve "for future consideration the proposals for submarine cables."

The Fire Department has now called upon the Committee to place a submarine cable across Harlem River at Second avenue.

The Committee recommend the award of contract for doing this work be made to Pearce & Jones at fifty cents per lineal

foot, it being specified in the specification that about 650 lineal feet will be required.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the Committee on Buildings be and hereby are authorized to enter into a contract with Pearce & Jones for placing a submarine cable across Harlem River at Second avenue, for the sum of fifty cents (50 cents) per lineal foot, the aggregate expense of said cable and the laying thereof not to exceed the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars (\$350); to be done in connection with their contract for connecting the school buildings with the telegraph system of the Fire Department. But no part of said money to be paid until the Committee on Buildings shall have duly filed the contract to be entered into by them with Pearce & Jones, together with satisfactory sureties for the faithful performance of the same.

DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
G. SCHWAB,		
R. M. GALLAWAY.		

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the bill of Wm. B. Pettit, \$385, for excavating fast rock, done in connection with his contract for erecting the addition to G. S. No. 32; stating, that the contract provides that "the removal of 'fast rock' is to be considered as *extra work*, and to be paid for at the rate of two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50) per cubic yard, upon the certificate of Amerman & Ford, City Surveyors, as to the quantity of 'fast rock' removed."

Messrs. Amerman & Ford, City Surveyors, have certified that one hundred and fifty-four cubic yards of rock have been removed.

The Committee recommend that an appropriation of \$385 be made for the payment of the bill, and submit the following *resolution* for adoption :

Resolved, That the sum of three hundred and eighty-five dollars (\$385) be and hereby is appropriated in payment of the bill of Wm. B. Pettit for removing fast rock, done in connection with his contract for erecting an addition to Grammar School building No. 32.

DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
G. SCHWAB,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, relative to the extra work done on the additional building of G. S. No. 33, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Committee on Buildings, to whom was re-committed their report, recommending the payment of the bill of Thomas Cockerill, \$3,286.72, for extra work done in connection with his contract for erecting the addition to Grammar School No. 33. respectfully report :

Application was made by the Trustees for authority to advertise for proposals for erecting an addition to G. S. No. 33, March 19, 1884 Journal, p. 223), and was granted on the report of this Committee made on the same date (Journal, p. 235), the plans, &c., to be prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the Committee on Buildings, and Trustees of the Twentieth Ward.

In pursuance of such authority, the plans and specifications were prepared and approved by the Committee and Trustees, which included the wall as now built, and some alterations in the then existing water closets.

The advertising then took place, and the Trustees, at the time fixed in the advertisement, opened the bids and awarded the contract to Thomas Cockerill for the sum of \$64,900, which award was confirmed by the Board of Education April 16, '84 Journal, pp. 333, 334, 344, 346).

The Trustees, on the 30th day of April, 1884, signed a con-

tract with Mr. Cockerill for doing the work, which contained the following clause, viz.:

“SECOND.—That in case the parties of the first part, or a majority of them, shall, at any time during the progress of the said work, request any alteration, deviation, addition or omission in, to, or upon the said work, or any detail thereof as shown in and required by the said plans or drawings and specifications, the party of the second part will make each and every alteration, deviation, addition or omission so requested; and the same shall not, and shall not be held to avoid or in any way impair this contract, but the cost or expense thereof, at a fair and reasonable valuation, to be immediately agreed upon by the Superintendent of School Buildings, the parties of the first part, or a majority of them, on the one side, and the party of the second part, on the other side, and certified at the time in writing, shall be as may be just and proper, added to or deducted from the moneys to be paid to the party of the second part under this contract, and shall be accounted for and settled by and between the respective parties of the first and second parts; but the Board of Education shall not, by reason of the approval of this contract or otherwise, be or be held to be, obligated for, or required to make an appropriation, to pay the increased expense caused by any such alteration, addition or omission, unless its consent thereto be obtained; nor shall the making of any such alteration, addition or omission vary the time above limited to the performance of this contract, unless the number of days to be added to or deducted therefrom by reason thereof shall be determined and certified in writing at the time by the Superintendent of School Buildings, a majority of the parties of the first part and the party of the second part.”

While the work was in progress it appeared that a vast improvement could be made in the plans by abandoning the contemplated alteration in the then existing water closets, by substituting a new plan, which removed those closets and built others in the rear of the building.

Under the clause of the contract above referred to, the Trust-

applied to the Committee for the above changes and modification of plan, and this was granted by the Committee on October 27, 1884, and the new plan approved.

The work under this modified plan was done by Thomas Kerill, he charging the actual cost therefor, with ten per cent. (10 %) added, and deducting the cost of work by the change not required to be done under the old plans.

The Committee renew the recommendation made in their reports, found on pp. 203 and 522 of the Journal of this year, that the bills be paid, and respectfully recommend the adoption of the resolutions found on pages 522 and 523 of the Journal.

Respectfully submitted,

EUGENE H. POMEROY,	} Committee on Buildings.
DAVID WETMORE,	
GUSTAV SCHWAB,	
R. M. GALLAWAY,	

September 16, 1885.

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.
Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the application of Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, to appoint John B. Cock, Janitor of P. D. G. S. No. 60, to take charge of the leased premises occupied by a portion of G. D. No. 60, and to pay bills for his services rendered to date; stating, that the premises in One Hundred and Forty-fourth street were leased by authority of this Board, for the use of some of the classes of Grammar Department No. 60. The Janitor of P. D. G. S. No. 60 was directed by the Trustees to take charge of these premises on April 24, 1885, and has performed the duties ever since. The Committee recommend that he be paid for the services rendered to date, at the rate prescribed in the by-laws, in addition to his present salary, and that the Trustees be authorized to continue his services in such position.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption:

Resolved, That John B. Peacock, Janitor of Primary Department Grammar School No. 60, be paid, in addition to his salary as Janitor P. D. G. S. 60, for services rendered to date in taking charge of premises leased as a branch of Grammar Department No. 60. on One Hundred and Forty-fourth street, at the rate of salary prescribed in sec. 61 of the by-laws, and that the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward be authorized to continue his services in such position at the same rate of compensation.

DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
G. SCHWAB,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner KELLY presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, submitting their award of contracts for furniture required for the additional building for the use of Grammar School No. 32 ; stating, that bids from two parties only were received for Part I, and for Part II bids from one firm only, proposing several kinds of wood and different styles of work, etc.

As your Committee cannot form a positive opinion as to the merits and value of these several styles, so as to determine intelligently upon the selections made by the Trustees, we recommend that the matter be referred to the Committee on School Furniture, it being properly within their jurisdiction, for consideration and report.

EUGENE KELLY,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner KELLY presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Buildings, relative to an arrangement made by said Committee with the "Fire Department for placing a submarine

cable across the Harlem River, at the cost, proposed by Pearce & Jones, of fifty cents per lineal foot ; stating, that of the sum apportioned by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for connecting the school buildings with the "Fire and Police Electric Alarm," there remains unapplied the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250), which can be used for this cable. The Board has the ability to appropriate from the Reserved Fund the additional sum of one hundred dollars (\$100), required for the contract, if this work is to be considered as included in the term "incidental expenses," as specified in the apportionment of moneys made for "Public Instruction."

The following resolution is presented, to be considered with that submitted by the Committee on Buildings, authorizing the contract. The report of the Committee on Buildings is on the Journal of this date :

Resolved, That the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100) be and the same is hereby appropriated from the Reserve Fund, additional to the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250), to be paid from the sum specially appropriated "For connecting the Public School buildings with the Fire and Electric Police Alarm," for liquidating a contract to be made with Pearce & Jones for placing a submarine cable across the Harlem River.

EUGENE KELLY,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,		

Laid over under the rule.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Commissioner SELIGMAN offered the following :

Whereas, Thousands of girls and boys, who are residents of New York City, are unable to attend our Public Schools because we have not the money with which to erect new school buildings to accommodate them ; and,

Whereas, The Board of Education is legally debarred from educating girls and boys who are non-residents of the City of New York ;

Resolved, That the City Superintendent inform the Board of Education, at the next regular meeting, whether the present system of discovering whether there are at present any non-residents in our schools is perfect, and, if not perfect, what new method of discovery the City Superintendent advocates.

Adopted.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Commissioner WOOD—

The Board adjourned.

LAWRENCE D. KIERNAN,
Clerk.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7, 1885.

STATED SESSION.

Present—STEPHEN A. WALKER, Esq., President, and Commissioners CRARY, CRAWFORD, DEVOE, GALLAWAY, HOLT, PERKINS, ROY, SCHMITT, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, SIMMONS, TAMSEN, D, WALLACE, WELCH, WETMORE and WOOD—18.

Present—Commissioners BELL, KELLY and VERMILYE—3.

motion of Commissioner WOOD, Commissioners BELL, Y and VERMILYE were excused for absence from this meeting of the Board.

The PRESIDENT announced for consideration the minutes of last session, and put the question whether the Board would ratify the minutes of the session held on September 16, as read in the Journal, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Present—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners CRARY, CRAWFORD, GALLAWAY, HOLT, POMEROY, SCHMITT, SCHWAB, SIMMONS, TAMSEN, D, WELCH, WETMORE and WOOD—14.

COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Trustees of the Third, Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, Ninth, Tenth, Eleventh, Twelfth, Thirteenth, Fifteenth, Sixteenth, Seventeenth, Eighteenth, Nineteenth, Twentieth and

Twenty-second Wards, asking to excuse the absence of teachers, &c.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power conferred by the by-laws.

From the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, relative to the condition of the front wall of one of the school buildings in said Ward.

Referred to the Committee on School Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, asking for authority to purchase lot No. 122 Henry street, adjoining G. S. No. 2.

Referred to the Committee on Sites and New Schools.

From the Trustees of the Eighth Ward, transmitting the resignation of Miss Frances C. Church, Principal of F. D. G. S. No. 38.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Eighth Ward, recommending the reappointment of Charles H. Housley, Trustee of Common Schools.

Referred to the Committee on Nomination of Trustees.

From the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, asking for authority to advertise for proposals for furniture for P. S. No. 7, in said Ward.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, asking for authority to advertise for proposals for heating apparatus for P. S. building No. 7.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, for authority to advertise for proposals for furniture for G. S. No. 83, in One Hundred and Tenth street.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking for an appro-

priation of \$41.12 for alterations at G. S. No. 68, occasioned by the erection of an adjoining building.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking for the purchase of three lots on One Hundred and Twentieth street, adjoining G. S. No. 78, with the buildings thereon, for \$12,500.

Referred to the Committee on Sites and New Schools.

From the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, asking that Miss Margaret L. Miller, Principal of P. S. No. 40, be paid the maximum salary.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for a favorable consideration of the application of Janitors in said Ward for increase of salary.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, for authority to fit up premises in West Fiftieth street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

CITY SUPERINTENDENT.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the monthly report of the City Superintendent, submitting a comparative statement of the attendance, &c., at the schools, in the months of September, 1884 and 1885, as follows :

CITY SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, }
NEW YORK, October 7, 1885. }

To the Honorable the Board of Education :

GENTLEMEN—I present herewith interesting statistics obtained from Special Reports submitted by the Principals of the Grammar and the Primary Schools :

	1884.	1885.
Average attendance for the last week in June.....	110,691	117,783
Attendance last school day previous to vacation.....	107,111	115,746
Attendance opening day in September....	123,233	130,262
Average attendance for first week in September.....	122,568	134,025
Number of pupils admitted opening day..	21,312	20,564
Number of pupils admitted the first week in September.....	26,518	26,721
Number of pupils refused admission opening day.....	1,013	1,610
Number of pupils refused admission the first week in September.....	1,658	2,442
Number of teachers absent opening day..	79	81
Number of teachers who resigned during vacation.....	51	56

From the above it will be seen that the average daily attendance for the first school week in September was 134,025, or 10,419 greater than for the same period last year.

Of the total number of teachers employed, 3,208, all except 81, were present on the opening day, September 14th.

According to the returns made by the Principals the daily average attendance during the month of June last was 123,389. This shows an increase of 6,686 in attendance, when compared with the corresponding month last year.

The average attendance for the three school days in July last, was 117,425, an increase of 6,852 over the returns for the same period 1884.

Appended to this report is a list of the classes in which the absenteeism of pupils during the month of June was in excess of twenty per cent.

Very respectfully,

JOHN JASPER,

City Superintendent.

List of Teachers in whose Classes the absenteeism was in excess of twenty per cent. during the month of June, 1885.

School.	Teachers.	Per Cent.	School.	Teachers.	Per Cent.
M. D.	27. M. Moritz.....	22	P. D.	29. E. M. Doyle.....	24
M. D.	40. A. B. Williams.....	21	" "	29. S. V. Liebers.....	26
G. D.	80. E. J. Graham.....	26	" "	29. K. E. McCarthy....	27
F. "	21. E. T. McCloskey....	26	" "	50. M. E. Fanning.....	23
F. "	68. E. Montfort.....	25	P. S.	26. C. Tompkins.....	29
F. "	68. E. L. Seaman.....	25	" "	36. K. A. Byrne.....	24
P. D.	29. M. J. Jennett.....	22			

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the report of the operations of the Truancy Department for the month of September, as follows:

CITY SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, }
NEW YORK, Oct. 7, 1885. }

To the Honorable the Board of Education :

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to submit the report of the operations of the Truancy Department for the month of September last.

The total number of visits made by the agents was 2,936.

The number of cases investigated and closed was 1,077.

Of this number, 218 reported as truants, and 79 as non-attendants, were placed in school.

Appended will be found a detailed statement of the month's work.

Very respectfully,
JOHN JASPER,
City Superintendent.

SCHEDULE.

Total number of visits made.....	2,936
To homes.....	1,402
“ schools.....	679
“ stores and factories.....	855
Total.....	<u>2,936</u>

Total number of cases investigated and closed.....	1,077
Children kept at home by parents.....	240
“ “ “ sickness.....	94
“ “ “ poverty.....	17
“ physically disqualified.....	4
“ transferred from one school to another....	108
“ under eight and over fourteen years of age.	39
“ withdrawn from school { left the city.....	14
“ “ “ gone to work.....	46
“ whose residence could not be found.....	213
“ found to be truants and returned to school.	218
“ found to be truants and committed to Re- formatory Institutions by parents through agent	3
Children found to be non-attendants and placed in school.....	79
“ found to be non-attendants and committed to Reformatory Institutions by parents through agent	2
Total.....	<u>1,077</u>
Children found employed contrary to law.....	18

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

FROM THE MAYOR.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from the Mayor, appointing Charles P. Ketterer as Inspector, as follows:

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, Sept. 22, 1885. }

The Board of Education, New York:

GENTLEMEN—I have this day appointed Charles P. Ketterer Inspector of Common Schools of the City of New York, for

the First School District, in place of Charles B. Smith, resigned, for the unexpired term of said Charles B. Smith.

Respectfully,

W. R. GRACE,

Mayor.

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Counsel to the Corporation, relative to the title to the site on the north side of West Fortieth street, as follows :

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION, }
NEW YORK, *September 17, 1885.*

LAWRENCE D. KIERNAN, Esq.,

Clerk, Board of Education :

DEAR SIR—I have to inform you that the title to the lot of ground on the west side of Grammar School No. 28, on the north side of West Fortieth street, between Seventh and Eighth avenues, which the Board, by resolution of June 3d last, resolved to purchase, has been examined, and having been found satisfactory, and all incumbrances having been paid off, the Comptroller has accepted the deed of said premises, and the title to said premises is now vested in the City.

In examining this title, expenses for searches, survey, &c., to the amount of \$170.55, have been incurred, which please call to the attention of the Board.

I am, sir, yours respectfully,

E. HENRY LACOMBE,

Counsel to the Corporation.

Referred to the Auditing Committee.

From Prof. L. Kline, for appointment as Instructor in Physical Culture.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From Graham McAdam, resigning his position as Instructor of Political Science and History in the Evening High School.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From Mrs. J. J. Hill, Principal of P. D. G. S. No. 74, relative to a case of alleged corporal punishment in said school.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From John H. McKinley, relative to the Lewis Hand Fire Extinguishers, for use in schools.

Referred to the Committee on Supplies.

From David Crounse, relative to the attendance of his daughter at G. S. No. 47.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From Wm B. Jones, agent for the Van Cort Sanitary Fountain and Purifier, relative to said apparatus.

Referred to the Committee on Supplies.

From S. Janes, relative to a Window Cleaner for use in schools.

Referred to the Committee on Supplies.

From J. H. Lacroix, asking that he be given a contract for regulating and keeping in order the clocks in all the school-houses under the care of the Board.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From Miss Kate A. Fitzgibbon, tendering her resignation as Vice Principal P. S. No. 16.

Ordered, That said communication be placed on file.

From Miss Kate A. Fitzgibbon, preferring charges against Miss S. J. McCaffery, Principal of P. S. No. 16.

Commissioner TAMSEN moved that said communication be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

Commissioner DEVOE moved to amend said motion by striking out "Committee on Teachers," and inserting "Trustees of the Twenty-first Ward."

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the amendment offered by Commissioner DEVOE, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schwab, Simmons, Traud, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—12.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Schmitt and Tamsen—4.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt the motion offered by Commissioner TAMSEN, as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schwab, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—16.

Nay--Commissioner Schmitt—1.

From First Assistants in Mixed Schools, relative to the scale of salaries.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

RESOLUTIONS TO BE REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Commissioner TAMSEN offered the following :

Resolved, That the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward be and are hereby authorized to transfer Male Department of G. S. No. 13 to the building on First street, hereafter to be known as G. S. No. 79, and that P. S. No. 9 be merged in and hereafter known as P. D. G. S. No. 79, and further, that the salary of the Janitor of G. S. No. 79 be fixed at

the rate allowed by the by-laws of the Board of Education.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

REPORTS LAID OVER UNDER THE RULE.

The PRESIDENT announced for consideration the report of the Committee on Teachers, to excuse absence of teachers, with full pay, Journal, pp. 598, 599.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood--18.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, submitting an amendment to the by-laws, relative to instruction in physical exercise, Journal, pp. 602, 603.

On motion of Commissioner WOOD, laid over, and to retain its place on the schedule.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution to remit the fine imposed on John Boyle, late Principal of G. S. No. 74, Journal, pp. 604, 605.

On motion of Commissioner WALLACE, laid over, and to retain its place on the schedule.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Buildings, to pay John B. Peacock, Janitor P. D. G. S. No. 60, for services in branch G. D. No. 60, &c., Journal, pp. 617, 618.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Finance Committee, to refer the award of contracts for furniture for the additional building for G. S. No. 32 to the Committee on School Furniture, Journal, p. 618.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Finance Committee, to appropriate \$100 additional for laying a submarine cable across Harlem River, Journal, pp. 618, 619.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Finance Committee, p. 619, in connection with the report of the Committee on Buildings, pp. 613, 614, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—18.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner SELIGMAN presented a report from the Finance Committee, submitting the Annual Estimate for 1886, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the Comptroller calling for the estimate of the amount, in detail, required to cover the expenditures for public instruction in 1886, to be submitted to the consideration of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, report, that the subject has received the careful attention of your Committee, and that, aided by the judgment and estimates of the chairmen of several other committees and of the President of the Board, the following sums, deemed to be the nearest approximation to the actual needs for the next year that our present knowledge affords, are presented, and each and all of them are considered

to be strictly within what will be the legitimate expenditure for that period.

The sum named for the salaries of teachers in the Ward Schools is increased \$100,000 over that appropriated for this year, to meet the large increase, present and prospective, in the average attendance of pupils. consequent, in great measure, upon the extended accommodations that will be afforded by the new buildings being erected and the completion of the additions to present buildings, now in progress. Some of the estimates for general purposes have been slightly increased and others decreased, and some, such as fuel and depository supplies, largely so, as economy demands. The failure to realize anything from the sale of the bonds authorized by the Legislature, from the proceeds of which sites were to be secured and buildings erected and furnished, having entirely restricted the Board in this direction, it is a matter of positive compulsion that an expenditure that should have been extended over 1885 and 1886 combined, be crowded into the latter, and hence the large sum named for new buildings and additions to buildings and for sites, placed in this estimate.

For the continuance of the policy introduced this year, of paying to assistant teachers in the primaries an additional sum on the basis of length of service, the sum of seventy-five thousand dollars, has been added to the estimate.

The comparative statement, asked for by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, of the appropriations made for 1885, which was mainly in an aggregate sum, and that required for 1886, accompany the estimate ; also, an answer to the question relative to unexpended appropriations for 1885.

A resolution in the usual form is submitted for adoption, and your careful consideration invited.

*To the Board of Estimate and Apportionment
of the City and County of New York :*

GENTLEMEN—The Board of Education, as required by chap. 335, of the laws of 1873, presents herewith to your Honorable *Body*, their estimate of the sums which will be required for

the support and increase of Public Schools of this city during the year eighteen hundred and eighty-six (1886) :

ESTIMATE—1886.

for salaries of teachers in Grammar and Primary Schools	\$2,750,000 00
for salaries of janitors in Grammar and Primary Schools	120,000 00
for salaries of teachers, janitors, and others in the Normal College and Training Department	98,000 00
for salaries of teachers and janitors in the Evening Schools	90,000 00
for salaries of officers, clerks and other employees of the Board of Education	39,000 00
for salary of Counsel to the Board of Education	3,000 00
for salaries of the City Superintendent and assistants	35,050 00
for enforcement of the act, entitled "An Act to secure to children the benefits of an elementary education," passed May 11, 1874—salaries of truant agents.	15,000 00
for support of Nautical School, Act of April 24, 1873	27,500 00
for supplies, books, maps, slates, stationery, etc., for the use of all the schools	150,000 00
for rent of school buildings	27,000 00
for fuel for all the schools and Hall of the Board of Education	90,000 00
for gas for all the schools and Hall of the Board of Education	20,000 00
for incidental expenses of the Board of Education	16,500 00

For incidental expenses of Evening Schools		\$500 00
For incidental expenses of Normal College and Training Department, including current repairs.		7,500 00
For incidental expenses of Ward Schools, sections 53 and 57 of the by-laws of this Board ...		45,000 00
For Buildings Contingent Fund, section 53, subdivision 2.....		32,000 00
For Clerks to Boards of Trustees, section 60.....		2,650 00
For pianos, and special repairs of..		1,800 00
For workshop, wages and materials.		2,600 00
For the payment of additional salary, on the basis of length of service, to assistant teachers in Primary Schools.....		75,000 00
For repairs to buildings—Special..	\$60,000 00	
For wall and sidewalk around the Normal College	8,500 00	
For furniture and repairs of, special	35,000 00	
For heating apparatus, alterations and sanitary repairs, and repairs of, special	75,000 00	
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		\$3,826,600 00
For Corporate Schools, per special acts of the Legislature....		100,000 00
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		\$3,926,600 00
For school sites.....	180,000 00	
For new school buildings and for additions to school buildings...	1,145,000 00	
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Total.....		\$5,251,600 00

resolved, That the foregoing estimate of the moneys that will be required for the support of the Common Schools of the City of New York, and for other purposes connected with public instruction under its control, during the year eighteen hundred and eighty-six (1886), amounting in the aggregate to the sum of five million two hundred and fifty-one thousand six hundred dollars (\$5,251,600), be duly authenticated by the President and Clerk of this Board, and submitted to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, and a duplicate thereof furnished the Board of Aldermen, as required by sec. 112 of chap. 335 of the Laws of 1873, and that the comparative statement annexed, asked for, be also submitted.

Respectfully submitted,

EUGENE KELLY,	} <i>Finance Committee.</i>
ISAAC BELL,	
DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,	
FERDINAND TRAUD,	

October 7, 1885.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

Amount of appropriations for public instruction for 1885-1886 :

	1885.	1886.
For salaries of teachers, janitors, superintendents, clerks and employees; for supplies, rents, incidental expenses and repairs to buildings, furniture, heating and ventilating apparatus; for the expense of compulsory education, as provided by chap. 421, Laws of 1874; and for the support of the Nautical School, established by chap. 288, Laws of 1873; and for the support of schools which have been organized since the last annual ap-		

portionment of school moneys; and such further sum or sums as may be necessary for any of the purposes authorized by law, and for school money appor- tioned to the Corporate Schools, and all expenses of the Board of Education not included un- der any other head of account,"			\$3,768,800 00	\$3,851,600 00
For payment of additional salary on the basis of length of service to assistant teachers in Primary Schools.....	75,000 00	75,000 00		
For connecting the Public School buildings with the fire and po- lice electric alarm	16,000 00			
For sites for new buildings.		180,000 00		
For erecting new buildings and ad- ditions to present buildings...		1,145,000 00		
Totals			\$3,859,800 00	\$5,251,600 00

An estimate of "the amount which may probably remain unexpended of any appropriation for 1885 at the end of the year" cannot be rendered at this date.

On motion of Commissioner Wood—

Laid on the table, to be taken up after the consideration of other business.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented a report from the Auditing Committee; stating, that at a meeting of the Board, held June, 17, 1885 (Jour., pp. 411, 412), the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward were authorized to advertise for proposals for conveying pupils from Williamsbridge to Grammar School No. 64, at Fordham, from September 14, 1885, to July 4, 1886.

Pursuant to this resolution the Trustees advertised, and in response thereto received three bids, the lowest of which was from Thomas Lundrigan, for three dollars (\$3.00) per day.

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees, held July 6, 1885, they awarded the contract to Thomas Lundrigan, and ask the Board of Education to approve said contract.

The following resolution is recommended for adoption :
Resolved, That the action of the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, in entering into a contract with Thomas Lundrigan to convey pupils from Williamsbridge to Grammar School No. 64, and return, at the rate of \$3.00 per school day, from September 14, 1835, to July 4, 1886, be approved, and that the bills incurred under said contract be paid from the Incidental Expense Account of the Board of Education.

HENRY SCHMITT, ISAAC BELL, H. B. PERKINS, DEWITT J. SELIGMAN, W. B. WALLACE,	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
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Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented a report from the Auditing Committee ; stating, that they have examined the accompanying bills, and believing the items thereof to be correct and the charges reasonable, recommend their payment by the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the following named bills be and they hereby are approved for payment :

J. S. Babcock, Book for Evening School Certificates, Yearly Statistic Record and Truant Record, City Supt. office, Aug. 27, '85....	\$32 75
Henry Seibert & Bro., Lithographing 500 Assistant Teachers' Certificates, &c., Sept. 19, '85.....	10 00
W. A. Schroeter, Repairing Clock in President's office, Sept., 24, '85.....	8 75
E. Henry Lacombe, Counsel to the Corporation, disbursements in examining title to lot of ground on west side of G. S. No. 28,	

on north side of West Fortieth street, between Seventh and Eighth avenues, Sept. 17, '85	\$170 55
Amerman & Ford, Survey of rock surface in cellar of south side Thirty-sixth street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues, &c., Feb. 9, Apl. 29, and June 2, '85.....	40 00
Chas. F. Fichtel, Flagging, &c., in front of 174 Mulberry street (workshop), Aug. 7, '85...	57 00
R. W. Bonyng, Dictation of report and type-writing for Committee on Teachers, Oct. 5, 1885.....	10 05
Wm. Oland Bourne, Postage and incidental expenses, Office of Board of Education, Sept. 7 to Oct. 7, '85.....	100 82
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	\$429 92

HENRY SCHMITT, ISAAC BELL, H. B. PERKINS, DEWITT J. SELIGMAN, W. B. WALLACE,	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
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Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner WOOD presented a report from the Committee on Normal College; stating, that they have received the resignation of Miss Louise Wilson, to take effect on Oct. 1; and of Miss Carrie L. Smith, to take effect November 1, both being teachers in the Training Department.

For the purpose of filling these vacancies, a competitive examination was held on September 27, at which nineteen candidates presented themselves, one of whom retired at the beginning of the examination; that after a careful and searching examination, both oral and written, it was found that Miss Bessie Stratton and Miss Mary Elizabeth Goble achieved the most satisfactory results—the former having received 94 per cent., and the latter 93 per cent.

The Committee recommend that these young ladies be appointed Junior Teachers in the Training Department, at an annual salary of \$400 each, and submit the following resolution : adoption :

solved, That Misses Bessie Stratton and Mary Elizabeth Goble be and they hereby are appointed teachers in the Training Department of the Normal College, *vice* Miss Louise Wilson and Miss Carrie L. Smith, resigned, October 1st and November 1st, respectively, at an annual salary of four hundred dollars (\$400) each, to date from the commencement of service subsequent to the passage of this resolution, and that all teachers in the Training Department lower in position than those heretofore held by Misses Wilson and Smith, be promoted.

WILLIAM WOOD,	}	<i>Committee on Normal College.</i>
ISAAC BELL,		
G. SCHWAB,		
J. EDWARD SIMMONS,		

Commissioner WOOD asked and obtained unanimous consent the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would opt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Crovoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—17.

Nay—Commissioner Pomeroy—1.

Commissioner TRAUD presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, to which was referred the resignation of Graham McAdam, Instructor in Political Science and History in the Evening High School; recommending that the vacancy thus created be filled by the appointment of Mr. W. J. Baker.

In the opinion of your Committee, Mr. Baker is in every way qualified to give instruction in this special branch of study.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That Mr. W. W. Baker be, and hereby is appointed Instructor in Political Science and History in the Evening High School, *vice* Graham McAdam, resigned, to date from the commencement of service, subsequent to the passage of this resolution.

FERDINAND TRAUD,	}	<i>Committee on Evening Schools.</i>
R. M. GALLAWAY,		
HENRY SCHMITT,		
CHARLES CRARY,		
W. J. WELCH,		

Commissioner TRAUD asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—18.

Commissioner TRAUD presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, to which was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, nominating Mrs. Kate Callahan, for Principal of the Female Evening School, held in Grammar School No. 39 ; stating, that Mrs. Callahan was regularly nominated by the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, and holds the requisite license for such position.

The Committee recommend that the nomination be confirmed, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That Mrs. Kate Callahan be, and she hereby is appointed to the position of Principal of the Female Evening School, held in Grammar School No. 39, in the Twelfth

Ward, to date from the commencement of service, subsequent to the passage of this resolution.

FERDINAND TRAUD, HENRY SCHMITT, R. M. GALLAWAY, CHARLES CRARY, W. J. WELCH,	}	<i>Committee on Evening Schools.</i>
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Commissioner TRAUD asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—18.

Commissioner TRAUD presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools; stating, that to meet current incidental expenses of the Evening Schools, an additional appropriation of \$150 will be required.

This is made necessary from the fact that two additional Evening Schools have been organized, and the expense of furnishing these schools with the requisite gas fixtures, closets, &c., &c., will more than exhaust the amount of money remaining to the credit of this fund.

The Committee ask for an additional allowance of \$150, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the additional sum of one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for " Incidental Expenses of Evening Schools."

FERDINAND TRAUD, R. M. GALLAWAY, HENRY SCHMITT, CHARLES CRARY, W. J. WELCH,	}	<i>Committee on Evening Schools.</i>
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Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred so much of the report of the Committee on Buildings as relates to the rehiring of premises of Primary School No. 48, at Woodlawn (Journal, pp. 268, 269), stating that said matter was referred to this Committee for the reason that in its report on the consolidation of schools, it is proposed to organize this school as a branch of P. S. No. 47.

The question of consolidation will not affect the question of securing the premises, as the school will be retained as at present organized, or be organized as a branch of some other school, at the same time retaining its present location.

The lease of the premises expired on the first of May last.

The Committee recommend that the premises be rehired, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to lease the premises occupied by Primary School No. 48, at Woodlawn, for one year, from May 1, 1885, at an annual rent of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250), the owner of the premises to make all necessary repairs. The other conditions of the lease applicable to be the same as those in force in the lease which expired on the first day of last May.

DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner CRAWFORD presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was recommitting its report, recommending that Miss Annie M. Hoffman be censured (Journal, pp. 454 and 486), stating that Miss Hoffman, Mr. C. W. Luyster and his two daughters, appeared before the Committee, and the charges of Mr. Luyster were re-examined, Miss Hoffman having an opportunity to bring to the attention of the Committee any facts which were not presented at the former hearing.

The Committee find no reason for receding from the former report.

Notwithstanding Miss Hoffman's explanation, we continue of the opinion that she was discourteous to Mr. Luyster and his family.

But more serious matters transpired upon the second hearing.

For the purpose of ascertaining the truth of the charge that Mr. Luyster's child had failed to receive promotion, though deserving it, your Committee requested the City Superintendent to have the entire class examined, and each child marked. It was upon the reported result of this examination that the Committee's former report was founded.

It appeared upon the second hearing before the Committee, that on the day fixed for the examination, the City Superintendent attended the school, and directed Miss Hoffman not to interfere with the class in any way while the examination was going on.

Disregarding this admonition, Miss Hoffman entered the class room, and during the temporary absence of the examiner, Assistant Superintendent McMullin, changed the seat of Mr. Luyster's daughter (her usual place being in the rear of the room), and caused her to sit in one of the front seats. At the same time she instructed the teacher of the class to maintain a strict watch over the girl.

The object of the examination was defeated.

Even had no directions been given by the City Superintendent, common fairness dictated that nothing should be done to intimidate the child for whose sake the examination was taking place, to render her nervous, or cause her to lose her self-possession. It was for this reason that Miss Hoffman was directed to leave the class entirely in the charge of the examiner.

The course pursued by her was calculated to frustrate the purpose of the Committee, which was to ascertain the fitness of the girl for promotion. As the case stands, we know but little more than we did before, because it is claimed by Mr. Luyster and his daughter, and we believe it to be the fact, that

the change of position made by Miss Hoffman, and the close espionage of the class teacher (which was so marked as to be noticed by the examiner, who did not know which member of the class was interested in the result), agitated and confused the child to such an extent that she was unable to do justice to herself.

The effect of all this was that she was found not qualified for promotion.

Miss Hoffman's excuse for interfering is that she had known the girl to copy from other children, and wished to prevent her from doing so on this occasion. The examiner was perfectly competent to detect anything of this kind, but, at all events, Miss Hoffman had received positive directions from the City Superintendent to have nothing to do with the examination.

The Committee consider this conduct deserving of severe censure, and propose the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That Miss Annie M. Hoffman, Principal of F. D., No. 69, be fined fifteen days' pay for disobeying the instructions of the City Superintendent.

EUGENE H. POMEROY,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner SIMMONS presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred on May 6th, a communication from citizens of the Tenth Ward, complaining of disreputable premises opposite Grammar School 20, in Chrystie street; stating, that they referred the matter to the Counsel to the Board "to ascertain at Police Headquarters the character of the place complained of, and who is the owner."

The Counsel reports that the Police Department have examined into the matter, and submit a report made by Capt. Allaire to Superintendent of Police Murray, in which he states that none of the gentlemen whose names are attached to the communication have made any complaint against said houses,

or authorized anybody to use their names in connection with the same. The Principal and Janitor of No. 20 both state that they know no cause of complaint against them.

The complaints are made by unknown persons, and are not substantiated.

The Committee ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the Committee on By-Laws, &c., be discharged from the further consideration of the complaint of the citizens of the Tenth Ward against disreputable premises opposite Grammar School No. 20.

J. EDWARD SIMMONS,	} Committee on By-Laws, &c.
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	
FERDINAND TRAUD,	
WILLIAM WOOD,	

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner SIMMONS presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, &c., to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, to have the salary of the Janitor of G. S. No. 3 rearranged ; stating, that the calculations upon which the salary for 1885 is based, are represented as correct, and if any differences appear in consequence of additional labor imposed, they will be adjusted in the computations for 1886.

The Committee ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the Committee on By-Laws, &c., be discharged from the further consideration of the communication from the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, with reference to the salary paid to the Janitor of Grammar School No. 3.

J. EDWARD SIMMONS,	} Committee on By-Laws, &c.
FERDINAND TRAUD,	
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	
WILLIAM WOOD,	

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner SIMMONS presented a report from the Com-

mittee on By-Laws, &c., to whom was referred a communication from a Committee of the Janitors' Association, asking for an increase of salary for 1886; stating that, by invitation, representatives of the Association appeared before the Committee and made statements as to the expense incurred by them for labor, living, &c., &c., in taking care of the several buildings under their charge.

The Committee, after reviewing all the statements made, have concluded to report that they deem it inexpedient to increase the salaries of the Janitors.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the application of the Janitors of the Public Schools for an increase of salary in 1886, be, and the same is hereby denied.

J. EDWARD SIMMONS,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, &c.</i>
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner SIMMONS presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred on June 3 the complaint of Mr. G. W. Heydon against the Janitor of Grammar School No. 72; stating, that both parties were notified to appear before the Committee.

In response to the notification the Janitor appeared, and stated that he was prepared to answer the charges preferred by Mr. Heydon. Mr. Heydon, however, failed to appear and substantiate his complaint.

The Committee therefore recommend that the complaint be dismissed, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the complaint of Mr. G. W. Heydon against the the Janitor of Grammar School No. 72 be and is hereby dismissed.

J. EDWARD SIMMONS,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, &c.</i>
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner SELIGMAN presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Buildings (Journal, pp. 615, 617), relative to the claim of Thomas Cockerill, amount \$8,286.72, for extra work on Grammar School Building No. 33, incurred by the School Trustees of the Twentieth Ward; stating, that the Board has the financial ability to pay this sum as reported by your Committee on the 6th of May last, per Journal, p. 320.

The resolution in form authorizing the payment of the claim as submitted by the Committee on Buildings is recorded on pages 525 and 526.

ISAAC BELL,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
DE WITT J. SELIGMAN,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner SELIGMAN presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on By-Laws, &c., in relation to the claim of Hiram Merritt, School Trustee for the Seventeenth Ward, for reimbursement of moneys paid by him on a judgment obtained by Denis C. McCarty against the Trustees of said Ward in December, 1884; stating, that the Board has the financial ability to pay said sum from the funds, either of 1883 or 1884. As the judgment was obtained, and by Mr. Merritt paid, in 1884, the Committee recommend that the appropriation be from that year, and submit for consideration the resolution proposed by the Committee on By-Laws, with said year inserted.

The report of the Committee on By-Laws is on pp. 603 and 604 of the Journal.

Resolved, That the sum of two hundred and twenty-eight $\frac{95}{100}$ dollars (\$228.95) be appropriated from the fund of 1884, for the payment of the claim of Hiram Merritt, and that said amount be paid to him.

ISAAC BELL,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		

Laid over under the rule.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Finance Committee, submitting the Annual Estimate (Journal, pp. 631-636).

Commissioner CRAWFORD moved that the Board go into Committee of the Whole for the consideration of said report.

Which was adopted.

The PRESIDENT called Commissioner CRAWFORD to the chair.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

The CHAIRMAN announced that the Board was in Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the report of the Finance Committee, submitting the annual estimate for 1886.

Commissioner WOOD called for the reading of the report, which was read.

Commissioner DEVOE called for a division of the question on the several items of the report.

The CHAIRMAN put the question on the adoption of the amount for salaries of teachers, \$2,750,000, and of janitors, \$120,000, which were respectively adopted.

Commissioner DEVOE moved that the item for the Normal College and Training Department, \$98,000, be reduced to \$93,800, which was lost.

Commissioner DEVOE moved that the amount be fixed at \$97,000, which was lost.

On motion of Commissioner SIMMONS the item as reported by the Committee, \$98,000, was adopted.

The item "for Salaries of Teachers and Janitors in the Evening Schools," and the following items down to and including "for Rent of School Buildings," were respectively adopted.

Commissioner WOOD moved that the item "for Fuel for all the Schools, and Hall of the Board of Education, \$90,000," be increased to \$100,000, which was lost.

The CHAIRMAN put the question whether the Committee would adopt the item as reported by the Finance Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The CHAIRMAN announced the item for gas, \$20,000.

Commissioner SCHMITT moved that the amount be increased to \$22,000, which was adopted.

The CHAIRMAN announced the item "for Incidental Expenses of the Board of Education, \$16,500."

Commissioner DEVOE moved that said amount be reduced to \$16,000, which was lost.

The CHAIRMAN put the question whether the Committee would adopt the amount reported by the Finance Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The CHAIRMAN announced the item for "Incidental Expenses of Evening Schools, \$500," which was adopted.

The CHAIRMAN announced the item for "Incidental Expenses of the Normal College," &c., \$7,500.

Commissioner DEVOE moved that said amount be reduced to \$6,000, which was lost.

The CHAIRMAN put the question on the amount named in the Estimate, \$7,500; which was adopted.

On motion of Commissioner WALKER, the five items "for Incidental Expenses of Ward Schools," &c., \$45,000, down to and including "for workshop," &c., were adopted.

The CHAIRMAN announced the item "for the payment of additional salaries, on the basis of length of service, to Assistant Teachers in Primary Schools, \$75,000."

Commissioner WETMORE moved to substitute for said item the following: "for amount necessary to equalize salaries of Assistant Teachers in the Schools, \$75,000."

Commissioner SCHMITT moved as a substitute, "for payment of additional salaries to Assistant Teachers in Grammar and Primary Schools," which was lost.

The CHAIRMAN put the question on the substitute offered by Commissioner WETMORE, and it was decided in the negative.

Commissioner WALKER moved to amend the item by inserting, so as to read, "length and acceptability of service."

Which was adopted.

The CHAIRMAN put the question whether the Committee would agree with the item as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The CHAIRMAN announced the item, "for repairs to buildings, \$60,000," which was adopted.

Commissioner DEVOE moved that the item "for wall and sidewalk around the Normal College, \$8,500," be amended so as to read, "for repairing and relaying sidewalk around the Normal College, \$1,000."

Commissioner HOLT moved to amend the amendment of Commissioner DEVOE, so as to read, "for repairing wall and sidewalk around the Normal College, \$5,000," which was lost.

The CHAIRMAN put the question whether the Committee would agree with the amendment offered by Commissioner DEVOE, and it was decided in the negative.

The CHAIRMAN put the question whether the Committee would agree with the item as reported by the Finance Committee, \$8,500, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The several items "for furniture and and repairs, \$35,000," "heating apparatus," &c., "\$75,000;" "for Corporate Schools, \$100,000;" and "for School Sites, \$180,000," were respectively adopted.

The CHAIRMAN announced the item for "New School buildings, and for additions to School buildings, \$1,145,000."

Commissioner SCHWAB moved that \$60,000 be added to said sum, so that it shall read "\$1,205,000," which was adopted.

On motion, the total amount named in the Estimate and resolution attached to the report of the Finance Committee was amended so as to read, "\$5,313,600," and the comparative statement was amended to conform therewith.

Commissioner WALKER moved that the item for salaries of assistant teachers, \$75,000, be reconsidered; which was adopted.

Commissioner WALKER moved that the said item be amended to read as follows:

“For the payment of additional sums necessary for equalization of salaries of assistant teachers in the schools, \$75,000.”

Commissioner TAMSEN moved to insert the word “Primary” before “schools”; which was lost.

The CHAIRMAN put the question whether the Committee would agree with the amendment offered by Commissioner Walker, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The CHAIRMAN then put the question whether the Committee would agree with the item as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The CHAIRMAN put the question whether the Committee would adopt the total amount named in the resolution as amended, \$5,313,600, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WALKER moved that the Committee rise and report to the Board; which was adopted.

IN THE BOARD.

The PRESIDENT in the chair.

Commissioner CRAWFORD presented the report of the Committee of the Whole, as follows:

The Committee of the Whole having had under consideration the report of the Finance Committee, recommending appropriations for 1886, have made some amendments thereto, and have directed me to report the fact to the Board, and recommend the adoption of the report as amended.

Commissioner WOOD moved that the report of the Committee of the Whole be adopted.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the report of the Committee of the Whole on the

annual estimate for 1886, as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—15.

Nay—Commissioner Devoe—1.

Commissioner DEVOE asked to be, but was not excused from voting.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Commissioner Wood offered the following :

Resolved, That the Committee on Supplies be, and they are hereby authorized and directed to furnish the Normal College for the remainder of this year through the depository with such text-books and other supplies, not on the present list of supplies, as may be called for by requisition from the President of said College, approved by the Committee on Normal College; and that all by-laws and parts of by-laws, in conflict with such authority are hereby suspended for such purpose; and that the same privilege be accorded to the Evening High School, and to Evening School No. 62, on certificate of the Chairman of the Committee on Evening Schools.

Commissioner SCHMITT moved that said resolution be referred to the Committee on By-laws, to report at this meeting of the Board.

Adopted.

On motion of Commissioner Wood, the resolution of Commissioner Schmitt (Journal, p. 593), relative to non-resident pupils was taken from the table.

Commissioner Wood offered the following, viz. :

Whereas, By a return made by the Committee on Normal College, and found on page 446 of the Journal of this year, it is stated that there were at that time attending the College forty non-resident students; and,

Whereas, By a return made to the Chairman of the Committee on Normal College by the President of said College on 7th of October, there were only twenty of the aforesaid forty remaining in the College, viz.;

Graduating Class—Elizabeth Ferris.

Anna M. Palmer,
Edna W. Merrill,
Estelle M. Koster,
Janet Craig,
Myra Demarest—6.

Junior Class — Carrie Kling,
Nellie M. Law,
Georgia M. Lowerie,
Clara R. Simkins,
Mary Cornell,
Helen White,
Susan McSorley,
Adele Roeder—8.

Sophomore Class—Alice Farrington,
Kate Kelcher,
Henrietta Osterheld,
Carrie Currie—4.

Introductories — Bella Calhoun,
Margaret Burke—2.

Wherefore, In accordance with the maxim, “de minimis non curat lex,” and as these twenty students, if dismissed tomorrow, would not save the tax-payers one cent in salaries, as they are scattered in different classes, and no Instructor could be dispensed with if they were so dismissed; be it *resolved*, That as regards the above named twenty students the existing by-law regarding non-residents be and is hereby suspended.

On motion of Commissioner SCHMITT,
Referred to the Committee on By-laws, Elections and Qualifications.

Commissioner SCHMITT moved that the vote on the resolu-

tion attached to the report of the Committee on Teachers relative to the payment of Mrs. Emma T. Kilmer, F. D. G. S. No. 8 (Journal, p. 593 and 594), be reconsidered.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, a majority not voting therefor, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crary, Devoe, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Simmons, Tamsen and Wallace—8.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crawford, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Traud, Wetmore and Wood—8.

Commissioner SIMMONS presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the resolution of Commissioner WOOD, as amended, relative to furnishing supplies for the Normal College, Evening High School, and the Evening School held in No. 62, recommending that the resolution be adopted.

J. EDWARD SIMMONS,	} Committee on By-Laws, etc.
G. H. CRAWFORD,	
FERDINAND TRAUD,	
WILLIAM WOOD,	
E. H. POMEROY,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution offered by Commissioner WOOD (Journal, pp. 652, 653), in connection with this report of the Committee on By-Laws, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—14.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioner Devoe—2.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Commissioner WALLACE —

The Board adjourned.

JOHN DAVENPORT,
Acting Clerk.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 1885.

STATED SESSION.

Present—STEPHEN A. WALKER, Esq., President, and Commissioners BELL, CRARY, CRAWFORD, DEVOE, GALLAWAY, HOLT, ERKINS, POMEROY, SCHMITT, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, SIMMONS, AMSEN, TRAUD, WALLACE, WETMORE and WOOD—18.

Absent—Commissioners KELLY, VERMILYE and WELCH—3.

The PRESIDENT announced for consideration the minutes of the last session, and put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the session held on October 7, as printed in the Journal, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners BELL, CRARY, DEVOE, GALLAWAY, HOLT, PERKINS, POMEROY, SCHMITT, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, SIMMONS, TAMSEN, TRAUD, WALLACE, WETMORE and WOOD—17.

COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth, Twentieth and twenty-third Wards, to excuse absence of teachers, &c.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power conferred by the by-laws.

From the Trustees of the First Ward, recommending the re-appointment of Joseph H. Ford, as Trustee for said Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Nomination of Trustees.

From the Trustees of the Fourth Ward, recommending the reappointment of Michael J. Duffey, for Trustee of said Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Nomination of Trustees.

From the Trustees of the Fourth Ward, for new furniture for two class rooms of the Primary Department of Grammar School No. 1.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, asking that Patrick Malone, Janitor of G. S. No. 31, be paid \$40 for extra cleaning.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, asking for payment of the bill of Edward Humphrey, amounting to \$99.70, for packing, cartage, boxes, &c., in removing books and supplies, &c., from G. S. No. 31 to G. S. No. 12, and their return to G. S. No. 31.

Referred to the Auditing Committee.

From the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, asking for a new steam boiler for Grammar School No. 3.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, nominating William C. Hess for Principal of M. D. G. S. No. 19, *vice* William O'Brien, deceased.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, notifying the Board of the organization of G. S. No. 79, with a Male and Primary Department, and discontinuance of M. D. G. S. No. 13, and P. S. No. 9.

Ordered, That said communication be placed on file.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, recommending the reappointment of Hiram Merritt, Trustee of Common Schools in said Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Nomination of Trustees.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for the purchase of two lots in the rear of G. S. No. 59.

Referred to the Committee on Sites and New Schools.

From the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, asking that Miss Emilie Wellner be paid \$150 for special services as Teacher of Drawing in addition to her duties as a regular assistant teacher.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, for authority to advertise for proposals for erecting an addition to G. S. No. 62.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, asking for authority to hire premises on Alexander avenue, for P. D. G. S. No. 69.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

CITY SUPERINTENDENT.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the report of the City Superintendent for the month of September, as follows :

CITY SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, }
NEW YORK, Oct. 21, 1885. }

To the Honorable the Board of Education :

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to submit herewith the report of the City Superintendent's Department for the month of September last.

Immediately after the opening, September 14th, the Assistant Superintendents visited and inspected all the schools under the direct jurisdiction of the Board. They made a careful report in relation to light, ventilation, improvements and the condition of the schools generally. The returns show that the school buildings, premises, &c., were never in as satisfactory a

condition as they are in at the present time. Such deficiencies as were observed will be reported to the Boards of Trustees for their action.

The annual examination of the schools connected with the following named institutions took place :

The New York Orphan Asylum, Protestant Half Orphan Asylum, Leake and Watt's Asylum, Colored Orphan Asylum, Ladies' Home Mission, Five Points House of Industry, New York Juvenile Asylum, House of Refuge, Roman Catholic Orphan Asylums, Nursery and Child's Hospital and its branch on Staten Island, New York Society for the Relief of the Ruptured and Crippled and the Association for Befriending Children and Young Girls.

The register number at time of visit in these schools was 4,329, with an attendance of 4,117, and a corps of 94 teachers.

Of the whole number of classes examined 63 were reported *excellent* in instruction ; 20 *good*, and 1 *fair*.

The law in relation to sectarian teaching and text books appears to have been complied with.

The Evening Schools opened on the 5th day of October with a register of 11,046 pupils. The average attendance for the week ending October 9th was 10,600, or 1,048 greater than for the corresponding period last year. Statistics in regard to these schools will be found appended.

The total enrollment in the Grammar and Primary Departments and Primary Schools for the month ending on the 30th day of September last, was 147,813, and the average daily attendance for the month was 135,642, an increase of 2,994 in enrollment, and 6,574 in attendance, as compared with September, 1884.

The whole number of pupils refused admission during the month was 2,558, of whom 917 are residents of the Twelfth Ward ; 520 of the Nineteenth, and 577 of the Twenty-second.

The whole number of days lost by absence of teachers during the month was 1,155, a decrease of 678, when compared with month of September last year.

Annexed will be found a schedule giving the names of teach-

in whose classes the absenteeism for the month was in excess of twenty per cent.

Very respectfully,

JOHN JASPER,

City Superintendent.

Average Register Number, Average Attendance and Number of Teachers employed in the Evening Schools for the two weeks ending October 16, 1885.

MALE, SENIOR.					MALE, JUNIOR.				
rd.	School.	Average Register Number.	Average Attendance	Teachers	Ward.	School.	Average Register Number.	Average Attendance.	Teachers.
5	44	452	266	7	4	1	483	299	8
2	57	435	336	10	8	8	418	326	8
7	79	827	696	21	9	16	502	391	11
3	18	624	512	15	10	20	305	304	20
2	58	551	416	10	11	22	623	455	12
Total.	.....	2,909	2 226	63	12	37	430	388	10
					17	25	792	588	7
					18	40	580	465	11
					20	32	771	605	17
					Total		5,504	4,321	104
Female, Senior									
1	21	269	205	7					
3	45	302	211	6					
7	13	563	410	12					
2	59	410	285	8					
Total.	.....	1,544	1 111	33					
Mixed, Senior and Junior									
1	62	390	322	9					
Summary.					Female, Junior.				
Male, Senior.	2,909	2,226	63	7	11	1,104	925	26	
Male, "	1,544	1,111	33	8	38	175	152	4	
Male, Junior..	5,504	4,321	104	11	16	247	214	6	
Male, "	2,973	2,471	72	12	39	111	83	3	
Mixed, Senior and Junior.	390	322	9	13	1	356	276	9	
				17	19	440	343	10	
				21	49	230	208	6	
				22	28	310	265	8	
Total....	13,320	10,451	281	Total	2,973	2,471	72		

List of Teachers in whose Classes the absenteeism was in excess of twenty per cent. during the month of September, 1885.

School.	Teachers.	Per Cent.	School.	Teachers.	Per Cent.
P. D.	19. E. J. McKean.....	22	P. S.	36. E. F. Graham.....	31
"	24. E. C. McHugh.....	25	"	" C. L. Manning.....	23
"	39. S. A. Jones.....	23	"	" M. A. Ducey.....	32
"	39. E. Rudischhauser....	26	"	" C. F. Cummings....	28
"	40. T. Smith.....	22	"	" M. A. Coyle.....	28
"	40. C. A. Geer.....	22	"	" H. A. Budd.....	27
P. S.	16. K. Cronin.....	22			

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

From the City Superintendent in relation to non-resident pupils, as follows :

CITY SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, }
NEW YORK, Oct. 21, 1885. }

To the Honorable the Board of Education :

GENTLEMEN —In relation to the preamble and resolution adopted by the Board on September 16th, I would respectfully report that, for the purpose of obtaining the most accurate information upon the subject, I directed all the Agents of Truancy to be present at the various ferries for a number of days, with the strictest injunction to make themselves acquainted with any violation of the law. In addition to this action, the Assistant Superintendents were directed to make careful inquiry upon this very subject when they were visiting and inspecting the schools in September. As the result of this investigation, it was found that only six non-residents were attending our schools, who have been dismissed.

“The present system of discovery ” consists of an inquiry about the residence of a pupil when seeking admission to a school, and of an annual investigation by the officers of my department at the time of inspection in September.

As an additional safeguard I have recently requested the Principal of each department to read occasionally the by-law

of the Board to the assembled school, and to make such explanation as may be deemed necessary in order that every pupil may fully understand the law.

A strict compliance with the request will, in my opinion, render any further legislation unnecessary.

Very respectfully,

JOHN JASPER,
City Superintendent.

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

Commissioner SELIGMAN, by unanimous consent, offered the following in connection with said communication :

Resolved, In connection with the City Superintendent's report, which has this day been presented to the Board, that every Principal be requested to read and explain once every three months to the whole school the by-law of this Board concerning non-resident pupils, and to question the pupils as to the residence of their parents.

Adopted.

CLERK OF THE BOARD.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication giving a statement of the changes in the *personnel* of the teachers since June 1st, as follows :

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, {
NEW YORK, *October 21, 1885.* }

To the Honorable the Board of Education :

GENTLEMEN—As required by a resolution adopted December 7, 1881, I herewith submit a statement showing the changes in the *personnel* of the teachers in each school under the jurisdiction of the Board of Education since the last report, June 1.

Very respectfully,

J. DAVENPORT,
Acting Clerk.

WARD.

- 1st ..M. D. 29..Charles Stewart.....Appointed.
- 4th..P. S. 14..Mary A. Walsh.....Resigned Sep. 14.
 P. S. 14..Teresa MuratoriAppointed “
 P. S. 12..Maria A. WolfeAppointed additional teacher Sep. 14.
- 7th..M. D. 2..Maggie E. Coghlan.....“ “ May 24.
 “ Ella Gardner.....Resigned Sep. 15.
 “ Julia L. Costello.....Appointed additional teacher Sep. 15.
 F. D. 2..Margaret A. Donegan.....Resigned Sep. 21.
 “ Josephine E. Marshall.....Transfer from P. D. 2 Sep. 21.
 P. D. 2..Jennie V. McLean.....“ F. D. 31 “
 P. S. 36..Bridget D. Sweeney.....“ P. D. 2 Sep. 15.
 F. D. 31..Emma Brophy.....Appointed Sep. 21.
- 8th..P. D. 8..Lily E. Dolan.....Appointed additional teacher May 4.
- 9th..P. D. 16..Henrietta Honigman.....Resigned June 10.
 “ Charlotte Fredericks.....Appointed additional teacher June 11.
 “ Venie Myers.....“ “ “
 P. D. 41..Mary Wells.....Resigned Sep. 14.
- 10th..P. S. 1..Barbara E. DonaldsonAppointed additional teacher May 22.
- 11th..P. S. 31..Jessie F. Hamilton.....Appointed Sep. 21.
 P. D. 36..Wolfine Dunkirk.....“ “
- 12th..P. D. 78..Esther E. Govers.....“ May 6.
 P. D. 57..Hannah D. M. Lindberg.. “ May 26.
 P. D. 72..M. Emma Lockwood.....“ Sep. 14.
 M. D. 39..Millicent Baum.....Removed Sep. 19.
 “ Ward B. Hoag.....Transfer from G. S. 68 Sep. 21.
 “ Chauncey D. McElroy....Appointed Sep. 21.
 “ Jacob S. Warner... ..Resigned Sep. 19.
 P. D. 39..Fannie C. Hamlin.....“ “
 “ Jennie L. Root.....Appointed Sep. 21.
 P. D. 54..Carrie A. Chappell.....Appointed Sep. 22.
 M. D. 68..Joseph S. Taylor.“ Sep. 21.
 P. D. 57..Adelaide Cooper.....Resigned Sep. 14.
 “ Mary S. Cooper.....Appointed “
 “ Mary F. Coachmon.....Resigned Oct. 1.
 P. D. 72..Caroline W. Bardash.....“ Sep. 1.
- 13th..P. S. 40..Minnie E. Boyne.....Appointed additional teacher May 21.
 P. S. 20..Lydia A. SmythResigned Sep. 21.
 “ Jane C. Mammel.....Appointed “
 F. D. 4..Jennie A. Hazel.....Resigned Sep. 13.
 P. D. 4..Mary G. Moakley.....Appointed “
 F. D. 4..Regina F. Muller.....Transfer from P. D. 4 Sep. 13.
 P. S. 40..Agnes Z. Connor.Resigned Sep. 13.
 “ Minnie E. Boyne.....Appointed “
 F. D. 4..Ada L. Courtier.....Deceased Sep. 27.

ARD.

- 5th..F. D. 10..Josephine P. SamuelAppointed additional teacher May 1.
 P. D. 47..Emilie Handte.....Resigned Sep. 14.
 " Isabel G. Westendorf.....Transferred from P. D. 35 Sep. 14.
 P. D. 35..Annie McDonough.....Appointed Sep. 14.
 M. D. 35..Lizzie Hogan.....Resigned Sep. 15.
 " Charles Stewart....." "
 " Joseph F. Darling.....Appointed Sep. 24.
- 6th..P. D. 55..Adelaide L. Blauvelt " Sep. 14.
 7th..P. D. 25..Martha Schultze.... " June 11.
 M. D. 13..Wm. H. Smeaton.....Resigned Sep. 15.
 P. S. 9..Margaret M. Brüll..... " Sep. 14.
 M. D. 13..Frank A. Schmidt.....Appointed Sep. 16.
 F. D. 13..Mary I. Hogan.....Resigned "
 F. D. 13..Bertha Hauser.....Transfer from M. D. 25 Sep. 16.
 M. D. 19..Mary I. Quinn.....Resigned "
 " Annie E. McCabe.....Appointed "
 M. D. 25..Kate Wilson....." "
 P. S. 9..Rose M. Matthews....." "
 P. S. 22..Julia A. Roos.....Resigned "
 " Bertha H. Boleschka... ..Appointed "
 M. D. 13..Lillian T. Hassett.....Resigned Oct. 1.
 " Kate A. McCortTransfer from P. S. 6 Oct. 3.
 P. S. 6..Sarah A. Flynn.....Appointed Oct. 3.
- 8th..G. D. 50..Margaret Foster.....Resigned Sep. 14.
 " Rebecca Wood .. " "
 " Annie A. Elder.....Transfer from P. D. 50 Sep. 25.
 " Sarah Kubie.....Appointed Sep. 25.
 P. D. 40..Virginia Leary.....Appointed additional teacher Sep. 25.
 P. D. 50..Josephine Beauclair....." " "
- 9th..M. D. 77..Charles R. Lawrence.....Appointed May 1.
 P. D. 78..Annie G. Foy....." "
 F. D. 59..Helen V. Bleasby.....Resigned Sep. 17.
 M. D. 70..Eliz. S. Cantrell....." "
 F. D. 77..Bessie D. Blake....." "
 P. D. 73..Eliza A. Sanders.....Deceased Sep. 1.
- 10th..G. D. 48..Maude M. Goodale.....Resigned Sep. 15.
- 11th..F. D. 14..Emily D. Wilson....." "
 " Sarah Friedman.....Appointed "
 M. D. 49..Emma J. Clintch.....Resigned Sep. 21.
 " Ida J. Halliday.....Transfer from P. D. 49 Sep. 21.
 F. D. 74..Elizabeth A. Rogers....." " "
 P. D. 49..Sarah FriedmanTransfer from F. D. 14 Sep. 21.
 " Ellen E. WaltonAppointed Sep. 21.
- 12th..M. D. 80..Eliz. J. Graham.....Resigned Sep. 14.

WARD.

22d.	P. D. 67.	Kate Brophy.....	Appointed additional teacher May 1.
	"	Laura J. Flynn.....	" " "
	M. D. 67.	Oren R. Gross.....	Resigned Sep. 14.
	"	Henry E. Jenkins.....	Appointed "
	F. D. 28.	Marion McAdam Christie..	Resigned Sep. 16.
	"	Esther Haslett.....	Transfer from M. D. 67 Sep. 16.
	M. D. 67.	Jessie Laurence	Appointed Sep. 16.
23d.	P. D. 60.	Bella A. Burton.....	" May 19.
	P. S. 43.	Lydia Kingman.....	" "
	P. D. 62.	Ludwina Tschudy.....	Appointed additional teacher May 12.
	P. D. 60.	Mary Bosse	Resigned Sep. 22.
	G. D. 60.	Ida E. J. Lutterloh.....	" "
	"	Isabella Dennis.....	Appointed "
	"	Christabel Flood.....	Appointed additional teacher Sep. 22.
	P. D. 60.	Carrie C. Haman.....	Appointed Sep. 22.
	"	Daisy Aymar.....	" "
	P. D. 61.	Annie E. Van Tine.....	Appointed additional teacher Sep. 15.
	P. D. 62.	Ludwina Tschudy... ..	" " "
	G. D. 60.	Kate I. Hayes.....	Resigned Oct. 6.
	G. D. 62.	Alice B. Rich.....	" Oct. 1.
	"	Catharine A. Condon.....	Transfer from P. D. 62 Oct. 1.
	P. D. 62.	Ludwina Tschudy... ..	Appointed Oct. 1.
	"	Sophie Burns	Appointed additional teacher Oct. 1.
24th.	G. D. 63.	Marie A. Berte.....	" " Sep. 28.
	G. S. 64.	Anne M. Hucker.....	" " "

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From James J. Thomson, relative to the salaries of teachers and their readjustment.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From Peter W. Felix, relative to the payment of interest and taxes on the purchase of the site corner of One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street and Sixth avenue.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From Thomas Falvey, a bill for extra work under contract

1st day of January next, prepare a schedule of salaries to be paid assistant teachers in each school in their respective wards; and, on or before the 1st day of January in each year thereafter, whenever any change has occurred in the number of teachers employed in any school during the preceding year, a like schedule shall be prepared for such school. In preparing the said schedule the amount of money to which any school or department is entitled, shall be determined by multiplying the average salary allowed in such school by the number of teachers in actual service and authorized by the average attendance therein for the preceding year. The total amount to which each school is entitled shall be distributed among the assistant teachers, as provided in the 12th and 13th Articles of these By-Laws; and the said schedule shall exhibit in detail the result of said distribution among the number of positions authorized as aforesaid. The said schedule, when prepared, shall be filed in the office of the Board of Education, and shall form the rule for the payment of assistant teachers for the year, and until changed as hereinbefore provided. Junior teachers, on attaining the grade of the assistant teachers, shall receive the salaries indicated upon said schedule for those positions.

4. Amend subdivision 3, of section 35 (pages 113, 114 of Manual), by striking out the last paragraph thereof and inserting the following :

RULES

FOR DETERMINING THE SALARIES OF ASSISTANT FEMALE TEACHERS.

The following Rules are adopted for determining the salaries of assistant female teachers; and the Boards of Trustees of the several wards are required to conform to the same in the preparation of the pay-rolls of teachers employed therein, viz. :

I.--GRAMMAR SCHOOLS—MALE DEPARTMENTS.

The salaries paid to assistant female teachers in the Male Grammar Schools shall be as follows :

1. In a school where but one assistant is employed, \$800 per annum.

2. In a school where two are employed, to the 1st assistant, \$850 per annum, and the 2d, \$750 per annum.

3. In a school where three are employed, to the first assistant, \$900 per annum; the second, \$800 per annum, and the third, \$700 per annum.

4. In a school where four are employed, to the first, second and third assistants, the same salaries stated in the last preceding subdivision, and the fourth or lowest assistant, \$660 per annum; and, in addition thereto, each teacher, except the lowest assistant, shall be paid an equal share of the sum remaining (one hundred and forty dollars) of the amount allowed for salaries to the school; provided, that the amount of the fractional parts of a dollar resulting from such distribution, shall be added in sums of one dollar each, to the salaries of the lower assistant teachers, excluding the lowest assistant. In like manner and proportion, the salaries of assistant teachers shall be determined for each additional teacher employed in that school; and for other schools having a larger number of teachers.

II.—GRAMMAR SCHOOLS—FEMALE DEPARTMENTS.

The salaries paid to assistant teachers in the Female Grammar Schools, shall be as follows:

1. In a school where but one assistant is employed, \$725 per annum.

2. In a school where two are employed, to the first assistant, \$775 per annum, and the second, \$675 per annum.

3. In a school where three are employed, the first assistant, \$825 per annum; the second, \$725, and the third, \$625 per annum.

4. In a school where four are employed, to the first, second and third assistants, the same salaries stated in the last preceding subdivision, and the fourth or lowest assist-

ant, \$585 per annum; and, in addition thereto, each teacher other than the lowest assistant, shall be paid an equal share of the sum remaining (one hundred and forty dollars) of the amount allowed for salaries to the school; provided, that the amount of the fractional parts of a dollar resulting from such distribution, shall be added, in sums of one dollar each, to the salaries of the lower assistant teachers, excluding the lowest assistant. In like manner and proportion the salaries of assistant teachers shall be determined for each additional teacher employed in that school, and for other schools having a larger number of teachers.

III.—MIXED GRAMMAR SCHOOLS.

The salaries paid to Assistant Female Teachers in the Mixed Grammar Schools, or schools where boys and girls are taught in the same classes, shall be as follows :

1. In a school where but one assistant is employed, \$762.50 per annum.

2. In a school where two are employed, to the first assistant, \$800 per annum, and the second, \$725 per annum.

3. In a school where three are employed, to the first assistant, \$854.50 per annum; the second, \$763 per annum, and the third, \$670 per annum.

4. In a school where four are employed, to the first, second and third assistants, the same salaries stated in the last preceding subdivision, and the fourth or lowest assistant, \$625 per annum; and in addition thereto, each teacher, other than the lowest assistant, shall be paid an equal share of the sum remaining (\$137.50) of the amount allowed for salaries to the school; provided, that the amount of the fractional parts of a dollar, resulting under such apportionment, shall be added in sums of one dollar each to the salaries of the lower assistant teachers, excluding the lowest assistant; the fractional parts less than that sum to be added to the salary of the first assistant. In like manner and proportion the salaries of assistant teachers shall be

determined for each additional teacher employed in that school, and for other schools having a larger number of teachers.

5. But in the case of a first assistant, in a Mixed Grammar School, who teaches the first grammar grades alone, or in connection with other grades, where no male assistant is employed, and where the average attendance exceeds one hundred and fifty, the salary shall be \$1,200.

IV.—PRIMARY DEPARTMENTS AND SCHOOLS.

The salaries paid to assistant teachers in the Primary Departments and Schools shall be as follows :

1. In a school where but one assistant is employed, \$600 per annum.

2. In a school where two are employed, to the first assistant, \$650 per annum, and the second, \$550 per annum.

3. In a school where three are employed, to the first assistant, \$675 per annum ; the second, \$600 per annum, and the third, \$525 per annum.

4. In a school where four are employed, to the first, second and third assistants, the same salaries stated in the last preceding subdivision, and the fourth or lowest assistant \$500 per annum ; and, in addition thereto, each teacher excluding the lowest assistant, shall be paid an equal share of the sum remaining (one hundred dollars) of the amount allowed for salaries to the school, except that the fractional parts of a dollar arising from such distribution, shall be added to the salary of the first assistant. In like manner and proportion the salaries of assistant teachers shall be determined for each additional teacher employed in that school, and for other schools having a larger number of teachers ; provided, that the amount of the fractional parts of a dollar resulting from such apportionment, shall be added in sums of one dollar each to the salaries of the higher assistant teachers, commencing with the first assistant.

IV.—PRIMARY DEPARTMENTS AND SCHOOLS.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
1st Asst.	600	650	675	709	734	754	771	786	799	811	821	831	840	848	856	863	870	876	882	888	893	898	903	908	913
2d "	550	600	625	659	684	704	720	734	744	753	762	769	778	785	792	798	804	810	815	820	825	830	835	840	845
3d "	525	575	600	625	650	675	699	723	747	769	792	815	838	861	884	907	929	952	975	998	1021	1044	1067	1090	1113
4th "	500	550	575	600	625	650	675	699	723	747	769	792	815	838	861	884	907	929	952	975	998	1021	1044	1067	1090
5th "	500	550	575	600	625	650	675	699	723	747	769	792	815	838	861	884	907	929	952	975	998	1021	1044	1067	1090
6th "	500	550	575	600	625	650	675	699	723	747	769	792	815	838	861	884	907	929	952	975	998	1021	1044	1067	1090
7th "	500	550	575	600	625	650	675	699	723	747	769	792	815	838	861	884	907	929	952	975	998	1021	1044	1067	1090
8th "	500	550	575	600	625	650	675	699	723	747	769	792	815	838	861	884	907	929	952	975	998	1021	1044	1067	1090
9th "	500	550	575	600	625	650	675	699	723	747	769	792	815	838	861	884	907	929	952	975	998	1021	1044	1067	1090
10th "	500	550	575	600	625	650	675	699	723	747	769	792	815	838	861	884	907	929	952	975	998	1021	1044	1067	1090
11th "	500	550	575	600	625	650	675	699	723	747	769	792	815	838	861	884	907	929	952	975	998	1021	1044	1067	1090
12th "	500	550	575	600	625	650	675	699	723	747	769	792	815	838	861	884	907	929	952	975	998	1021	1044	1067	1090
13th "	500	550	575	600	625	650	675	699	723	747	769	792	815	838	861	884	907	929	952	975	998	1021	1044	1067	1090
14th "	500	550	575	600	625	650	675	699	723	747	769	792	815	838	861	884	907	929	952	975	998	1021	1044	1067	1090
15th "	500	550	575	600	625	650	675	699	723	747	769	792	815	838	861	884	907	929	952	975	998	1021	1044	1067	1090
16th "	500	550	575	600	625	650	675	699	723	747	769	792	815	838	861	884	907	929	952	975	998	1021	1044	1067	1090
17th "	500	550	575	600	625	650	675	699	723	747	769	792	815	838	861	884	907	929	952	975	998	1021	1044	1067	1090
18th "	500	550	575	600	625	650	675	699	723	747	769	792	815	838	861	884	907	929	952	975	998	1021	1044	1067	1090
19th "	500	550	575	600	625	650	675	699	723	747	769	792	815	838	861	884	907	929	952	975	998	1021	1044	1067	1090
20th "	500	550	575	600	625	650	675	699	723	747	769	792	815	838	861	884	907	929	952	975	998	1021	1044	1067	1090
21st "	500	550	575	600	625	650	675	699	723	747	769	792	815	838	861	884	907	929	952	975	998	1021	1044	1067	1090
22d "	500	550	575	600	625	650	675	699	723	747	769	792	815	838	861	884	907	929	952	975	998	1021	1044	1067	1090
23d "	500	550	575	600	625	650	675	699	723	747	769	792	815	838	861	884	907	929	952	975	998	1021	1044	1067	1090
24th "	500	550	575	600	625	650	675	699	723	747	769	792	815	838	861	884	907	929	952	975	998	1021	1044	1067	1090
25th "	500	550	575	600	625	650	675	699	723	747	769	792	815	838	861	884	907	929	952	975	998	1021	1044	1067	1090

Referred to the Committee on By-laws, Elections and Qualifications.

Commissioner TAMSEN offered the following :

Resolved, That the absence of teachers on October 20th, occasioned by attendance at the funeral of their late associate, WILLIAM O'BRIEN, Principal of Grammar School No. 19, be and the same hereby are excused, with pay, and that all by-laws and parts of by-laws in conflict with such action be and the same hereby are suspended for this purpose.

Referred to the Committee on By-laws, Elections and Qualifications.

Commissioner PERKINS offered the following :

Whereas, It has been deemed prudent by his medical advisers that the Clerk of the Board should have a short respite from official duties ;

Resolved, That leave of absence for a period of three months be granted to Lawrence D. Kiernan, Clerk of the Board.

Adopted.

REPORTS LAID OVER UNDER THE RULE.

The PRESIDENT announced for consideration the report of the Committee on Buildings relative to rehiring premises for P. S. No. 6, pp. 440, 441, 481, 510.

Commissioner POMEROY called for the question on the resolution submitted by the Committee, p. 441.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Buildings, Journal, p. 441, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes —The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab,

Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace and Wetmore—16.

Nays—Commissioners Bell and Wood—2.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, relative to the consolidation of schools, pp. 449–454, 485, 510.

Commissioner CRARY moved that said report be laid over until the next meeting of the Board, and retain its place on the schedule.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crary, Perkins, Schmitt, Simmons and Wallace—5.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Wetmore and Wood—12.

Commissioner TRAUD asked to be and was excused from voting.

Commissioner TAMSEN moved that said report be laid over to a special meeting to be held on the second Wednesday in November.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes--Commissioners Crary, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Simmons, Tamsen and Traud—7.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Seligman, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood--11.

Commissioner WALLACE moved that the subject be laid on the table.

Which was lost.

Commissioner POMEROY moved that the first resolution

attached to the report of the Committee, found on pp. 452, 453, of the Journal, be amended to read as follows :

Resolved, That in the opinion of the Board the Male Department of Grammar School No. 5, in the Fourteenth Ward, should be discontinued, and the pupils and teachers, so far as practicable, be transferred to the Male Department of Grammar School No. 21, whenever the position of the Principal should become vacant by transfer or otherwise.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the amendment offered by Commissioner Pomeroy, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Holt, Pomeroy, Schwab, Simmons, Wetmore and Wood—9.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Perkins, Tamsen, Traud and Wallace—6.

Commissioners Gallaway, Schmitt and Seligman asked to be and were excused from voting.

Commissioner SCHMITT moved to lay the amendment of Commissioner Pomeroy on the table, and substitute the following :

Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed to draft the necessary amendments to the Consolidation Act, so as to give power to this Board to transfer and appoint Principals and teachers of schools to be consolidated to such schools as this Board may deem proper.

Which was lost.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt the first resolution attached to the report of the Committee, as amended by Commissioner Pomeroy, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wetmore and Wood—16.

Nay—Commissioner Wallace—1.

Commissioner GALLAWAY asked to be and was excused from voting.

Commissioner TAMSEN offered as a substitute for the second resolution, as found on page 453, the following :

Resolved, That the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward be instructed to at once report as to the practicability and possibility of transferring the pupils of Primary School No. 6 to the building of G. S. No. 79 for the purpose of consolidation.

Resolved, That action on the part of this Board in the premises be postponed until after the report from the Trustees.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would substitute the resolutions offered by Commissioner TAMSEN for the second resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the second resolution as substituted by Commissioner TAMSEN, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner SCHMITT moved that the resolutions, from 3 to 12, be laid over until the next meeting of the Board.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner SCHMITT to postpone the further consideration of the report, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Bell, Crary, Gallaway, Perkins, Schmitt, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Wallace and Traud—10.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crawford, Devoe, Holt, Pomeroy, Schwab, Wetmore and Wood—8.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, relative to Geometry, &c., pp. 466-468, 486, 487.

Commissioner DEVOE moved that said report be laid over until the second meeting in November, which was lost.

tion Commissioner Holt, and that they have heard his arguments, statements, opinions and conclusions, in which your Committee concur, except as hereinafter noted, and submit as their report to this Board as follows :

The purpose of the present proposed amendments to the existing By-Laws is to correct, as far as may be, those serious difficulties, objections and fallacies that clearly exist in the present method of proportioning salaries to the assistant teachers in our schools, retaining, however, such merits as the present system contains, and making at the same time the diminution and increase in the present salaries of individual teachers which the adoption of a new apportionment of salaries necessitates as little as possible.

The present system of apportioning salaries under the existing By-Laws of the Board of Education is as follows :

A gross sum equal to six hundred dollars for each primary teacher, seven hundred and twenty-five dollars for each teacher in a female Grammar Department, and eight hundred dollars for each female teacher in a male Grammar Department is allowed to each department respectively for salaries, to be apportioned annually by the Trustees of the several Wards at their pleasure, subject only to the restriction that the lowest salary shall not be less than five hundred dollars, that the highest salary shall not exceed that of a Vice-Principal in that Department, and that there shall not be more than one hundred dollars between the salaries of successive positions among female teachers.

The objections to this system, tersely stated, are as follows :

First: The multiplicity of salaries paid.

Although as matter of fact there cannot be more than about forty different kinds of service performed by all the assistant teachers in our schools, as will appear hereafter, still it would appear that no less than five hundred and thirty-two different salaries are paid therein ; the differences between which are so small that there are no less than one hundred and five between the amounts of five hundred dollars and six hundred dollars ; one hundred and six between \$600 and \$700 ; 93 between \$700

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, recommending changes in the Teachers' Manual, pp. 468-470, 486, 487.

Commissioner POMEROY moved that the resolution be amended, as follows: After the word, "Instructions," on first line of page 469, add, "be as follows: Omit the historic dates, on pages 120, 121 and 122, and which especially appear on page 469 of the Journal."

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said amendment, and it was decided in the negative, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Devoe, Pomeroy, Schmitt and Seligman—4.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Schwab, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—14.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, submitting an amendment to the by-laws, relative to instruction in physical exercise, Journal, pp. 602, 603. P 630.

Commissioner WOOD moved that said report be referred to the Counsel to the Board, for his opinion thereon.

Which was adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution to remit the fine imposed on John Boyle, late Principal of G. S. No. 74, Journal, pp. 604, 605. P. 630.

On motion of Commissioner TAMSEN—

Laid over, and to retain its place on the schedule.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Auditing Committee, approving the award of contract for conveying pupils

from Williamsbridge to G. S. No. 64 at Fordham, to 'Thomas Lundrigan, Journal, pp. 636, 637.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Auditing Committee, recommending the payment of sundry bills, Journal, pp. 637, 638.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Ayes.—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—18.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, to authorize the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward to rehire premises for P. S. No. 48, at Woodlawn, Journal, p. 642.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Teachers, Journal, p. 642, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Ayes.—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—18.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, imposing a penalty on Miss Annie M. Hoffman, F. D. G. S. No. 69, Journal, pp. 642-644.

Commissioners DEVOE offered the following as a substitute for the resolution attached to the report of the Committee:

Resolved, That the complaint of a citizen of the Twenty-second Ward, against the Principal of the Female Department of

G. S. No. 69, together with all the testimony taken by the Committee on Teachers of this Board, and all papers in relation to the same, be sent to the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, with a request that they make further examination of the complaint, and report to this Board at the second meeting in November next.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would substitute said resolution for the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crary, Devoe, Schwab and Traud—4.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—14.

Commissioner TAMSEN moved that the resolution attached to the report of the Committee be amended by striking out “fined fifteen days’ pay,” and inserting “reprimanded for disobeying the command of the City Superintendent.”

Commissioner CRARY offered the following as an amendment to the amendment of Commissioner Tamsen :

Resolved, That Miss Annie M. Hoffman be censured for having entered the class-room, as reported by the Committee, thereby interfering with the proper examination of the class by the Assistant City Superintendent.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said amendment, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crary, Tamsen and Traud—3.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—15.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the amendment offered by Commissioner Tamsen, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Schmitt, Tamsen and Wallace—3.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary

Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Traud, Wetmore and Wood—15.

Commissioner CRARY offered the following, as an amendment:

Resolved, That Miss Annie M. Hoffman, Principal of F. D. No. 69, be fined fifteen days' pay for having entered the classroom, as reported by the Committee, thereby interfering with the proper examination of the class by the Assistant Superintendent.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said amendment, and it was decided in the negative, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Holt and Pomeroy—4.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Devoe, Gallaway, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—14.

Commissioner HOLT moved to amend the resolution by striking out all after the word "pay," and inserting "for disobeying the instructions of the City Superintendent, acting under the instructions of the Committee on Teachers."

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said amendment, and it was decided in the negative, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Holt, Pomeroy and Wood—5.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Devoe, Gallaway, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace and Wetmore—13.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the negative, a majority not voting therefor, as follows:

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crawford, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Seligman, Simmons and Wood—9,

Nays—Commissioners Bell, Crary, Devoe, Schmitt, Schwab, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace and Wetmore—9.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on By-Laws, &c., asking to be discharged from further consideration of the alleged complaint of citizens of the Tenth Ward relative to premises near G. S. No. 20, Journal, pp. 644, 645.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on By-Laws, &c., asking to be discharged from further consideration of matter of salary paid Janitor of G. S. No. 3, Journal, p. 645.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT called Commissioner SIMMONS to the Chair.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced the report of the Committee on By-Laws, &c., denying the application of the Janitors for an increase of salary in 1886, Journal, pp. 645, 646.

Commissioner CRARY moved that said report be laid over, and retain its place on the schedule.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crary, Devoe, Gallaway, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman and Wallace—9.

Nays—Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Holt, Simmons, Traud, Wetmore and Wood—7.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced the report of the Committee on By-Laws, &c., to dismiss the complaint of G. W. Heydon against the Janitor of G. S. No. 72, Journal, p. 646.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced the report of the Finance Committee, relative to ability to pay Thomas Cockerill \$8,286.72 for extra work on G. S. No. 33, Journal, p. 647.

On motion of Commissioner WOOD—

Laid over, and to retain its place on the schedule.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* announced the report of the Finance Committee, recommending the payment of the claim of Hiram Merritt, trustee of the Seventeenth Ward, for the reimbursement of \$228.95, paid by him on a judgment for work done on schools in said ward, Journal, p. 647.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Finance Committee, Journal, page 647, in connection with the report of the Committee on By-Laws, &c., pp. 603, 604, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Traud, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—17.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner SCHWAB presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Ninth Ward for a new steam boiler to be placed in Grammar School No. 3; stating, that the Engineer reports that a new boiler is needed in place of the easterly one in Grammar School No. 3, and should be attended to immediately. The boiler at present in the building is worn out, and cannot be used.

The Committee recommend that the Trustees be authorized to advertise for proposals for doing the work, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the School Trustees of the Ninth Ward be, and they are hereby authorized to advertise in the *City Record* for two weeks for proposals to place a new steam boiler in Grammar School No. 3. Plans and specifications to be prepared by the Engineer, and approved by the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, and Trustees of the Ward named.

GUSTAV SCHWAB,	|	<i>Committee on</i>
F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Warming and</i>
R. M. GALLAWAY,	}	<i>Ventilation.</i>

Commissioner SCHWAB asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner SCHWAB presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Ninth Ward for a steam-heating apparatus for the new building in course of erection for P. S. No. 7 ; stating, that the new building for P. S. No. 7 is nearing completion, and it is necessary that the authority asked for should be granted.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, 'That the School Trustees for the Ninth Ward be, and they are hereby authorized to advertise in the *City Record* for two weeks, for proposals for placing the necessary steam-heating apparatus in the new building in course of erection for Primary School No. 7. Plans and specifications to be prepared by the Engineer, and approved by the Committee on Warming and Ventilation and Trustees of the Ninth Ward.

GUSTAV SCHWAB,	}	<i>Committee on</i>	
F. W. DEVOE,			<i>Warming and</i>
R. M. GALLAWAY,				Ventilation.

Laid over under the rule

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Teachers relative to the equalization of salaries of teachers, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the resolution of Commissioner Holt with regard to the amendments to the by-laws classifying the salaries of assistant teachers in our schools, which amendments are specifically set forth on pages 586 to 592, both inclusive, of the Journal, report that they have given to the subject careful consideration and due deliberation ; that they have had before them and in consulta-

tion Commissioner Holt, and that they have heard his arguments, statements, opinions and conclusions, in which your Committee concur, except as hereinafter noted, and submit as their report to this Board as follows :

The purpose of the present proposed amendments to the existing By-Laws is to correct, as far as may be, those serious difficulties, objections and fallacies that clearly exist in the present method of proportioning salaries to the assistant teachers in our schools, retaining, however, such merits as the present system contains, and making at the same time the diminution and increase in the present salaries of individual teachers which the adoption of a new apportionment of salaries necessitates as little as possible.

The present system of apportioning salaries under the existing By-Laws of the Board of Education is as follows :

A gross sum equal to six hundred dollars for each primary teacher, seven hundred and twenty-five dollars for each teacher in a female Grammar Department, and eight hundred dollars for each female teacher in a male Grammar Department is allowed to each department respectively for salaries, to be apportioned annually by the Trustees of the several Wards at their pleasure, subject only to the restriction that the lowest salary shall not be less than five hundred dollars, that the highest salary shall not exceed that of a Vice-Principal in that Department, and that there shall not be more than one hundred dollars between the salaries of successive positions among female teachers.

The objections to this system, tersely stated, are as follows :

First: The multiplicity of salaries paid.

Although as matter of fact there cannot be more than about forty different kinds of service performed by all the assistant teachers in our schools, as will appear hereafter, still it would appear that no less than five hundred and thirty-two different salaries are paid therein ; the differences between which are so small that there are no less than one hundred and five between the amounts of five hundred dollars and six hundred dollars ; *one hundred and six* between \$600 and \$700 ; 93 between \$700

and \$800; 73 between \$800 and \$900; 58 between \$900 and \$1,000; and 97 above \$1,000.

'Each of these numerous salaries must be divided into monthly payments, which involves great labor to the Principals who make out the pay-rolls, to the Auditor and to the Comptroller.

There is no reason why these numerous salaries cannot be reduced to the number of different kinds of services actually performed.

Second: The injustice resulting from the inequality of payment made to teachers in different wards and schools while holding the same position and presumably doing the same work.

This is readily demonstrated by the following table, in which these differences are clearly pointed out, as to the highest and lowest, in schools with like number of teachers:

*Highest and Lowest Salaries in Female Grammar Departments of
8 Teachers, or over.*

	No. of Teachers.	Highest.	Lowest.		No. of Teachers.	Highest.	Lowest.
F. D. 1..	8	864	612	F. D. 20..	14	934	600
" 44..	8	873	614	" 42..	14	949	600
" 38..	8	888	569	" 71..	14	960	600
" 12..	8	920	560	" 28..	14	1041	510
" 46..	9	871	500	" 50..	14	1056	500
" 36..	10	1025	600	" 25..	14	1056	585
" 2 .	11	961	590	" 14..	14	1057	565
" 73..	11	984	575	" 49..	14	1076	562
" 34..	11	1010	600	" 45..	15	1060	500
" 48..	11	1051	540	" 68..	15	1067	585
" 22..	12	960	600	" 47..	15	1067	514
" 4..	12	965	550	" 37..	16	1075	585
" 69..	12	975	565	" 33..	16	1128	521
" 19..	12	1035	585	" 41..	17	960	518
" 8..	13	960	550	" 39..	18	1091	585
" 18..	13	1008	572	" 53..	20	1056	577
" 13..	13	1045	585	" 72..	20	1098	611
" 56..	13	1063	558	" 59..	22	1077	572
				" 17..	23	1045	546

Range of highest salaries from 864 to 1128.

" " lowest " " 500 to 614.

Highest and Lowest Salaries in Primaries of Twelve Teachers and Over.

	No of Teach- ers.	Highest.	Lowest.		No. of Teach- ers.	Highest.	Lowest.
P. S. 5..	12	760	504	P. S. 16..	18	776	500
" 28..	12	790	500	P. D. 18..	18	828	501
" 13..	12	792	500	P. D. 68..	18	876	500 ?
				P. D. 40..	18	900	500
P. D. 7..	13	738	504				
P. D. 34..	13	768	500	P. D. 33..	19	800	500
P. D. 45..	13	798	500	P. D. 73..	19	828	504
P. D. 3..	13	804	500 ?	P. D. 58..	19	840	500
P. D. 27..	13	804	504	P. D. 37..	19	882	500
P. D. 26..	13	837	504				
P. S. 9..	13	840	500	P. S. 35..	20	828	501
				P. S. 39..	20	882	500
P. S. 31..	14	768	504				
P. S. 24..	14	804	500	P. D. 60..	21	798	500
P. D. 56..	14	834	500	P. D. 70..	21	840	501
P. D. 12..	15	710	500	P. D. 53..	22	840	501
P. D. 50..	15	768	504	P. D. 51..	22	876	504
P. S. 20..	15	768	500	P. D. 57..	22	898	500
P. D. 38..	15	840	500				
P. S. 26..	15	856	500	P. D. 32..	23	856	500
P. S. 42..	15	856	500	P. D. 13..	23	908	500
P. D. 62..	16	792	500 ?	P. S. 1..	24	738	504
P. D. 75..	16	840	500 ?	P. D. 14..	24	830	500
P. D. 48..	16	845	500 ?				
P. D. 4..	16	852	500 ?	P. D. 17..	25	840	500
P. D. 25..	16	863	500	P. D. 59..	25	846	501
				P. D. 28..	25	900	500
P. D. 2..	17	767	500				
P. D. 22..	17	768	504	P. D. 49..	26	845	512
P. D. 36..	17	768	500 ?				
P. D. 71..	17	768	510	P. D. 74..	27	858	501
P. D. 69..	17	820	500	P. S. 41..	27	873	501
P. S. 27..	17	848	504				
P. D. 19..	17	870	500	P. S. 42..	28	750	504
P. D. 20..	18	730	500 ?	P. D. 72..	35	945	500 ?

Range of highest salaries from 710 to 945.

Range of lowest salaries from 500 to 512.

*Highest and Lowest Salaries in Male Grammar Schools of
Eight Female Teachers or Over.*

M. D.	No. of Teachers.	Highest.	Lowest.	M. D.	No. of Teachers.	Highest.	Lowest.
27	8	\$900	\$660	58	13	\$1,104	\$600
16	8	984	660	57	13	1,121	660
2	8	1,000	635	68	13	1,121	672
44	8	1,035	645	32	13	1,139	585
3	9	996	600	37	14	1,050	660
18	9	996	690	40	14	1,129	500?
22	9	1,025	600				
19	9	1,069	660	70	16	1,098	662
4	10	1,035	660				
55	10	1,036	551	35	17	1,104	600
75	10	1,040	612	74	17	1,104	658
34	10	1,080	660				
25	10	1,084	660				
69	10	1,105	620	(Range of highest salaries from \$900 to \$1,178.			
49	10	1,178	500	Range of lowest salaries from \$540 to \$690.)			
15	11	1,025	600				
20	11	1,038	612				
13	11	1,098	660				
26	11	1,134	540				
14	12	1,220	590				
28	12	1,240	575				

It will be noticed that in Male Grammar Schools the difference between payments made to highest Female Assistants is \$278, and between the lowest \$150 ; in Female Grammar Schools the difference between salaries paid the highest assistants is \$264, and between the lowest \$114, and in Primary Departments and schools, the difference between the salaries paid

Now, by examination of this table, it will be noticed, that notwithstanding the teacher of the highest class in every school appearing by this table, presumably does the same work, yet a difference as great as this mentioned, under the present system, is made. This works not only absolute injustice, but in no sense is it based upon the idea, which should prevail in any system, that compensation should follow the work done.

*Statement of amounts gained by promotion to consecutive positions
in G. S. 56 :*

Female Dept.		Primary Dept.		Also in F. D. 41	
1	\$1063 \$100	1	\$834 \$100	1	\$960 \$12
2	963 100	2	734 32	2	948 0
3	863 67	3	702 35	3	948 30
4	796 2	4	667 60	4	918 24
5	794 27	5	607 14	5	894 60
6	767 80	6	593 11	6	834 42
7	687 69	7	582 25	7	792 6
8	618 2	8	557 15	8	786 24
9	616 15	9	542 1	9	762 96
10	601 11	10	541 0	10	666 18
11	590 32	11	541 41	11	648 10
12	558	12	500 0	12	638 48
		13	500 0	13	590 24
		14	500	14	566 20
				15	546 28
				16	518 0
				17	518 0
				18	518

Fractional Salaries and amounts gained by promotion to consecutive positions in P. D. G. S. 45 :

1	\$793.09	....	\$34.40	8	\$561.04	....	\$50.99
2	758.69	....	84.52	9	510.05	....	10.05
3	674.17	....	24.57	10	500.00	....	0.00
4	649.60	....	18.67	11	500.00	....	0.00
5	630.93	....	31.45	12	500.00	....	0.00
6	599.48	....	26.53	13	500.00	....
7	572.95	....	11.91				

An examination of this table will show how unequal and irregular are the amounts given by successive promotions from change of position in the school :

In four Wards the Trustees have adopted tables which provided a systematic advance in salaries from lowest to highest positions. This advance, however, is not the same in any two schools, even in one Ward unless they happen to be of the same kind and of the same number of teachers, which rarely if ever, occurs. And these tables do nothing towards providing equal salaries for equivalent positions. Out of these four Wards, such examples as those given are a fair illustration of the present practice.

To bring the inequality into view we append a table showing a comparison of the actual salaries now apportioned in two Female Departments of thirteen teachers each, and where, therefore, the same services are required, and the same amount of money is allowed.

Comparison of salaries in two Female Departments of 13 Teachers :

F. D. 3.	F. D. 13.	
1. \$960	\$1,046	\$86 more than in No 3.
2. 944	947	3 more.
3. 853	847	6 less.
4. 852	761	9 more.
5. 804	730	74 less.
6. 779	702	77 less.

F. D. 3.	F. D. 13.	
7. 679	678	1 less.
8. 648	658	10 more.
9. 686	640	46 less.
10. 610	624	14 more.
11. 560	610	50 more.
12. 550	597	47 more.
13. 550	585	35 more.

Compare also with F. D. 56—12 teachers.

THIRD.—The insecurity and instability of teachers' salaries under the present system :

Under the present system there is no requirement to prevent Trustees from apportioning the money allowed to any department equally among the teachers, say \$600 to each one in a Primary Department, \$725 to each in a Female Department, &c. Indeed, they may go so far as to pay only \$500 to each female teacher in Primary and Grammar Departments, because while by our by-laws \$600, \$725 and \$800 are allowed for each teacher in the various Departments, the requirement only is that the average salary *shall not exceed* that amount, and the only restriction is, that the lowest shall *not be less* than five hundred dollars. But a more serious difficulty arises from the fact that our by-laws require a new schedule of salaries for each Department to be filed in January of each year, and the result of this is that the opportunity is thus given to make many serious changes in the salaries previously paid. Besides this, by allowing a given amount to a department each time a new teacher is brought there, an opportunity is given to increase the salary of teachers, although there is no increase in the work therein, and each time a department by reason of diminution in the average attendance loses a teacher the salary of each and every teacher in the department is liable to be decreased, and some at least must be. The tenure of office and position of a teacher are now permanent and guarded by law ; but the salary is not so guarded, nor is it in any re-

spect permanent. Salaries ought to be as permanent and secure as positions held, and the tenure of office should be strictly guarded by our by-laws.

FOURTH.—Besides all these objections, the salaries as now paid do not comply with the statute which directs “The Board of Education to provide the proper classification of * * * salaries in such manner that as near as practicable * * * the salaries paid to teachers shall be uniform throughout the city” (page 23, Manual of 1885).

The amendments to the by-laws now proposed correct all these objections.

This plan provides a fixed salary for every position.

Notwithstanding the incongruities in the results of the present mode of fixing salaries, certain principles have always been recognized and vaguely followed, which it is proposed to define and systematize into a permanent plan. All attempts to base salaries on length of service, grade of instruction or excellence of service, or all combined, result in too great complexity, in such a change in individual salaries as would be a grievous hardship in a great many cases. A plan devised so as to reduce to uniformity the present practice and principles, with such modifications as may justly be made for the sake of simplicity or convenience, would seem more likely to be satisfactory than a plan based on unfamiliar or abstract considerations.

Although there is, as has been said, no requirement to prevent Trustees from apportioning the money allowed to any Department equally among the teachers, say \$600 to each one in a Primary Department, there is no such case existing. On the contrary, in every Department in the system there is some sort of a scale or range of salaries attached to the various positions, so that the first assistant receives the highest salary and the last assistant the lowest. The justice of this arrangement is evident when one reflects that it is virtually, or, at least, approximately, a recognition of length of service and excellence

of service by increased pay, since these are, with rare exceptions, the grounds of promotion.

As, however, there is no fixed maximum or minimum salary, these are very different in different schools. This principle accurately defined should be part of the new plan.

As to the salaries attached to the positions between the highest and the lowest, great diversities exist. Yet, on a general survey of the salary schedules, it can be plainly seen that they are constructed, on the whole, with reference to the idea that promotions in the lower ranks, where they occur with comparative frequency, ought to bring but a small increase of salary, while promotions in the higher ranks, which occur but seldom, ought to be accompanied with a much larger increase of pay. The justice of this principle may be said to have a general recognition and ought to be retained, but it needs to be defined so that the exact increase of each promotion should be fixed. And it is obvious that the principle should be so far extended as to provide for a regular increase in the amounts gained by promotion step by step from the lowest position upward to the highest.

To facilitate the annual estimates the number of teachers and their pay must be, as now, deducible from some datum, preferably the average attendance.

The substance of so much of the existing system must be retained in any new plan that may be proposed. The total number of different salaries paid should be reduced to as few as practicable. The salaries paid in large and small schools, if not made identical, should be much more closely approximated than they are now. Since in any readjustment of salaries out of a fixed sum those who gain will do so at the expense of others, there should be such an increase in the amount allowed for salaries as to prevent too great hardship to those whose incomes must be reduced.

The salaries of the upper teachers in large schools have been increased without increase of service. The system should provide for cheaper teaching in large than in small schools. As

new large schools are organized the sum so saved would soon offset a moderate increase made now in the total salary list.

The salaries as classified and determined should have the permanence of a by-law of the Board. The security against reduction by Trustees so gained would compensate somewhat for the loss that must be sustained by some. Such security is now enjoyed by Principals and Vice-Principals.

To carry out these ideas it is proposed :

1st. That the number of assistant teachers allowed in any Department or school be determined under existing by-laws from the average attendance.

2d. That the salaries of female assistant teachers be divided into as many classes as there are grades of instruction in the school system, and that a definite amount be fixed for each class.

The smallest Grammar or Primary Department or school that corresponds to the ideal of our system is one where each grade of instruction is carried on by a separate teacher in a separate class. This in a Female Grammar Department, for instance, would require eight classes and eight teachers. There should, therefore, be eight different salaries provided for such Department.

As Vice-Principals are a vanishing factor in the problem, they may be omitted in the plan.

3rd. That salaries of the different classes be apportioned as will now be explained. For a Female Grammar Department of eight teachers one salary of each of the eight classes of Female Grammar salaries. If such a school were to increase in attendance so as to require another teacher, it would be for the purpose of forming another eighth grade class. Or, a different school of nine teachers would equally have two eighth grade classes. It is proposed therefore to add in this case a salary of the eighth class for the ninth teacher and leave the salaries of the other eight teachers unchanged.

The practice at present is to give to the ninth teacher a

salary of about \$600 out of the \$725 allowed to the school, and divide the remainder either systematically, as in two or three wards, among all the other teachers, or, as is more generally done, for merit or *otherwise* among a few of them. This process repeated over and over is one of the main causes of the irregularity in the salary schedules. It is obvious that the increased pay of the eight teachers is not for any increase of service.

In a similar manner, when ten teachers are required it is nearly certain that it is to form a seventh grade class, and it is therefore proposed to add a salary of the seventh class, and as before leaving the other salaries unchanged.

As further increases in a school take place it becomes less certain what classes will be formed, but it is certain that they will be progressively fewer from the lower to the upper grades, and that, to agree with what has been said, the number of salaries of each class allowed should be less and less in proportion to the height of the class. It is also desirable that the first and second assistants should have the distinction of forming by themselves separate classes. To express all this in general language the following is proposed :

The salaries of assistant teachers in Female Grammar Departments shall be divided into eight classes.

Where eight teachers are employed one salary of each class shall be allowed.

Where more than eight are employed there shall be added one of each class consecutively, beginning with the lowest, repeating if necessary until the required number is reached. Provided, however, there shall not be allowed in any Department more than one salary of the first or second class, two of the third class, three of the fourth class, four of the fifth class, five of the sixth class, or six of the seventh class.

The following table will show the number of salaries of each class allowed in any Female Grammar School of from eight to twenty-five teachers, as ascertained under this rule :

CLASSES.

		1st	2d	3d	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	
F. G. Dept. of	8 Teachers	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	i. e., one of each
	9 "	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	i. e., add one 8th
	10 "	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	" " 7th
	11 "	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	" " 6th
	12 "	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	etc., etc.
	13 "	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	
	14 "	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	
	15 "	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	3	
	16 "	1	1	2	2	2	2	3	3	
	17 "	1	1	2	2	2	3	3	3	
	18 "	1	1	2	2	3	3	3	3	
	19 "	1	1	2	3	3	3	3	3	
	20 "	1	1	2	3	3	3	3	4	
	21 "	1	1	2	3	3	3	4	4	
	22 "	1	1	2	3	3	4	4	4	
	23 "	1	1	2	3	4	4	4	4	
	24 "	1	1	2	3	4	4	4	5	
	25 "	1	1	2	3	4	4	5	5	

In the Male and Mixed Grammar Departments there are a certain number of male teachers employed, usually in charge of the highest classes. If the salaries of female teachers in such departments are classified and apportioned in the same manner as just provided for the teachers in Female Grammar Departments, it is true that the correspondence between the salaries and the grades of instruction of the teachers will not be so close as in the former case, and will fail entirely in the first and frequently in the second grade. Yet there will be a great deal of such agreement, and, for the sake of simplicity and convenience, the same rule is proposed for the classification and allowance of salaries to the female assistant teachers in Male and Mixed Grammar Departments of eight teachers or more, and these are exhibited in the table given above.

In Primary Departments and Schools there are six grades of instruction, which may be counted as twelve, if we take notice of the difference between the teaching of boys and that of girls. Taking twelve as the lowest standard number of teachers for a complete Primary Department or School, and applying

similar considerations to those mentioned in the case of Grammar Departments, the following rule is proposed :

The salaries of assistant teachers in Primary Departments and Schools shall be divided into twelve classes.

Where twelve teachers are employed, one salary of each class shall be allowed.

Where more than twelve are employed, there shall be added one of each class consecutively beginning with the lowest, repeating, if necessary, until the required number is reached. Provided, however, there shall not be allowed in any department or school more than one salary of the first, second, third or fourth class, two of the fifth or sixth class, three of the seventh or eighth class, four of the ninth or tenth class, or five of the eleventh class.

The following table will show the number of salaries of each class allowed in any Primary Department or School of from twelve to thirty teachers, as ascertained under this rule :

CLASSES.

			1st	2d	3d	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th
Primary	of	12 Teachers	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
		13 "	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2
		14 "	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2
		15 "	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2
		16 "	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2
		17 "	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2
		18 "	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2
		19 "	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
		20 "	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
		21 "	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3
		22 "	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	3
		23 "	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	3
		24 "	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3
		25 "	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3
		26 "	1	1	1	1	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3
		27 "	1	1	1	1	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	4
		28 "	1	1	1	1	2	2	3	3	3	3	4	4
		29 "	1	1	1	1	2	2	3	3	3	4	4	4
		30 "	1	1	1	1	2	2	3	3	4	4	4	4

Grammar Schools of less than eight teachers cannot teach

all the grades in separate classes, and Primaries of less than twelve teachers cannot teach all the grades in separate classes for boys and girls. They are, in a sense, incomplete schools, and cannot have a complete set of teachers of all grades. It is proposed to assign to them salaries of such classes as will about match the proportionate expense of full schools.

This can be done for primaries by providing as follows :

Where less than twelve are employed, one salary shall be deducted alternately of the lowest and the highest class, beginning with the lowest, until the required number is reached.

This will give the following table :

CLASSES.

			1st	2d	3d	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th
Primary	of	12 Teachers	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
		11 "	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	-
		10 "	-	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	-
		9 "	-	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	-	-
		8 "	-	-	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	-	-
		7 "	-	-	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	-	-	-
		6 "	-	-	-	1	1	1	1	1	1	-	-	-
		5 "	-	-	-	1	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-
		4 "	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-
		3 "	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
		2 "	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
		1 "	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-

In Grammar Schools, the same rule will give the following table :

CLASSES.

			1st	2d	3d	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th
G. Dept.	of	8 Teachers....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
		7 " . . .	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	-
		6 "	-	1	1	1	1	1	1	-
		5 "	-	1	1	1	1	1	-	-
		4 "	-	-	1	1	1	1	-	-
		3 "	-	-	1	1	1	-	-	-
		2 "	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
		1 "	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-

The number of different salaries of the female assistant

teachers in our school system, which, in 1884, were, by actual count, 482, will thus be reduced to the following :

Primary	12
Female Grammar.	8
Mixed Grammar	8
Male Grammar	8
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Total	36

It is not possible with less than twelve Primary and eight Grammar salaries to cover with reasonable nearness the wide range of salaries now paid. These numbers also represent the points where an increase in a school does not bring higher grade of service, and where teachers can be added with pay proportional pretty closely to the grade of the classes added. At the same time increased pay is provided for small schools on promotion to form higher grade classes formerly omitted.

4th. In fixing the *amounts* of the salaries of the various classes proposed above, regard should be had to what may be considered an average distribution of the salary fund under the present practice. In some schools and wards the higher teachers are favored, as compared with the lower ; in others, the lower are better paid at the expense of the higher.

The Primary schedule proposed is as follows :

1st Class	\$900	7th Class	\$594
2d "	834	8th "	564
3d "	774	9th "	540
4th "	720	10th "	522
5th "	672	11th "	510
6th "	630	12th "	504

This schedule has some features to which attention is drawn. Each salary is divisible into monthly payments of even dollars or half or quarter dollars.

The differences between successive salaries are small in the lower ranks and large in the upper ones, ranging from six to sixty-six dollars.

The progression of these differences is regular, each one being six dollars more than the next one below, thus (beginning at the bottom): 6, 12, 18, 24, 30, 36, 42, 48, 54, 60, 66.

As it is advisable that the salaries of the female teachers in the Mixed Grammar Departments should remain, as now, intermediate between those of the Female and the Male Grammar Departments, the following are presented together as one set:

Female, 1st Class..	\$1,056	Mixed, 1st Class..	\$1,086	Male, 1st Class..	\$1,116
" 2d "	960	" 2d "	990	" 2d "	1,020
" 3d "	873	" 3d "	903	" 3d "	933
" 4th "	795	" 4th "	825	" 4th "	855
" 5th "	726	" 5th "	756	" 5th "	786
" 6th "	666	" 6th "	696	" 6th "	726
" 7th "	615	" 7th "	645	" 7th "	675
" 8th "	573	" 8th "	603	" 8th "	633

These salaries are higher than those proposed in the resolution under consideration, and are recommended as more fair and better proportioned to the salaries now paid.

As before, they produce monthly amounts of even dollars, halves or quarters. The differences between adjacent salaries run from forty-two to ninety-six dollars by the uniform increment of nine dollars. Each Mixed Grammar salary is the average of the Female and the Male Grammar salary of the same class. The maxima are so fixed as to inflict very few losses of salary upon the highest teachers. In this, and all cases presented, it may be said that, as to all but some of the highest teachers, whatever may be lost is held in reserve to be paid back on promotion, with such increase as may be allowed to put the plan in operation.

It is not proposed to change the present designation of assistant teachers by "positions," but to pay them according to their positions, salaries of certain classes and amounts.

It was stated above that the number of different salaries fixed by this plan would be thirty-six. But since those for Mixed Grammar Departments are deducible from those of the Male and Female Grammar Departments, the number that may be said to be arbitrarily established is only twenty-eight.

Further, it may be said that only three are so established, one for Primary, one for Female and one for Male Grammar Departments, as minimum salaries, with two fixed amounts for the first promotion and two fixed increases for subsequent promotions, in Primary and Grammar Departments, respectively.

It is recommended that female Junior Teachers' pay should be fixed at \$408, instead \$396, as proposed, equal to \$34 per month, instead of $\$33.33\frac{1}{3}$ as now, and that substitutes' pay should be fixed at \$1.25 for each day of actual service.

Instead of the proposed clause relating to female assistants employed in Mixed Grammar Schools, on page 591 of the minutes, your Committee recommend the following:

Female first assistants, heretofore appointed, who teach the first grammar grades alone or in connection with other grades in Mixed Grammar Schools where boys and girls are instructed in the same class, and where no male assistant is employed, and where the average attendance exceeds one hundred and fifty, shall not be counted under the foregoing provisions, and they shall be paid a special salary of fourteen hundred and forty dollars.

FIFTH.—MALE TEACHERS' SALARIES.—For male assistant teachers' salaries a sum equal to \$1,500 for each teacher in any Department is now allowed, the distribution of which, with certain restrictions, is made annually at the pleasure of the Trustees. But where one only is employed he is paid \$1,700. Under this arrangement inequalities exist, and therefore injustice, as great as in the case of the female assistants.

There are more than fifty different salaries for only five different positions.

The highest and lowest salaries paid in Departments having the same number of such teachers, and therefore the same amount of money to distribute, vary as follows:

Where there are two male assistants,

Highest salary from	.....	\$1,596 to \$1,650
Lowest	“ “	1,350 “ 1,404

Where there are three male assistants,

Highest salary from	.....	\$1,700 to \$1,800
Lowest	“ “	1,200 “ 1,300

Where there are four male assistants,

Highest salary from	.....	\$1,800 to \$1,950
Lowest	“ “	1,050 “ 1,300

Where there are five male assistants,

Highest salary from	.....	\$1,800 to \$2,050
Lowest	“ “	1,000 “ 1,200

The difference between intermediate salaries is illustrated by the following comparison between two schools of five male assistants :

	M. D. 57.	M. D. 55.	
1.	\$2,050	\$1,800	\$250 less than in No. 57.
2.	1,750	1,694	56 “ “ “
3.	1,450	1,530	80 more “ “
4.	1,250	1,336	86 “ “ “
5.	1,000 ..	1,140 ...	140 “ “ “

The plan proposed to correct these inequalities seems to your Committee open to the serious objection of differing in theory from that provided in the case of the female assistants.

In view of it the following is recommended :

2. MALE ASSISTANT TEACHERS.

The annual salaries of the Male Assistant Teachers shall be of the following classes and amounts, viz. :

1st Class	.....	\$2,004
2d “	.....	1,716
3d “	.....	1,464
4th “	.....	1,248
5th “	.....	1,068

These salaries approximate to the highest and lowest now

paid, are divisible into monthly payments of even dollars, and the differences between successive salaries progress from \$180 to \$288 by a uniform increase of \$36.

The apportionment of salaries of male teachers to schools to be as follows :

Where five male assistants are employed there shall be allowed one salary of each class.

Where four are employed, one each of the first, second, fourth and fifth class.

Where three are employed, one each of the second, third and fourth class.

Where two are employed, one each of the second and fourth class.

Where one is employed, one of the second class.

This will give the following table :

			CLASSES.				
			1st.	2d.	3d.	4th.	5th.
5	male teachers	.....	1	1	1	1	1
4	"	"	1	1	—	1	1
3	"	"	—	1	1	1	—
2	"	"	—	1	—	1	—
1	"	"	—	1	—	—	—

In consequence of this change of plan, the provision for male Junior Teachers should be restored, and it is recommended that the salary of such teachers should be \$720, equal to \$60 per month, instead of the fractional monthly pay of \$58.33 $\frac{1}{3}$.

It is also recommended that the allowance to teachers ' in charge of the music ' be sixty dollars, instead of fifty.

The other amendments proposed are merely such as are necessary for the carrying out of the plan, by adapting the by-laws to it, or for correcting certain omissions which do not require comment, and all are approved by this Committee.

A careful estimate has been made of the increase of expenditure for salaries that would follow the adoption of the new system.

The result is as follows :

Female Teachers.	{	For Primary Schools and Dept's.....	\$26,778 00
		“ Female Grammar “	9,435 00
		“ Mixed “	2,442 00
		“ Male “	6,095 00
		“ Male Teachers.....	1,032 00
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			\$45,782 00

Your Committee respectfully submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the following amendments to the By-Laws, offered by Commissioner HOLT, as amended by this Committee, be adopted, as follows :

Amend Articles XII and XIII of the By-Laws, as follows :

ARTICLE XII.—*Teachers.*

Amend § 33, paragraph 3, page 99, by adding, after the word “Male” in the fifth and sixteenth lines, the words “or Mixed,” and also insert the word “Male” before the word “Scholars,” in the sixth line.

Amend § 33, paragraph 5, pages 100, 101 and 102, by striking out all after the word “year” in the fourth line from the bottom of page 100.

Amend § 33, paragraph 9, page 106, by striking out the last sentence of the paragraph.

Amend § 34, page 109, by striking out the word “schedule” in the second line, and substituting the word “the”.

Amend the title of Article XIII and § 35, so as to read as follows :

ARTICLE XIII.—*Salaries of Teachers.*

1. *Principals and Vice-Principals.*

§ 35. The annual salaries paid to Principals and Vice-Principals in Male and Mixed Grammar Schools, shall be as follows :

The Principals in Schools having an average attendance for the preceding year of—

150 or less	\$2,250
151 to 300	2,500
301 to 500	2,750
501 and upwards	3,000

To Vice-Principals in Schools having an average attendance for the preceding year of a Grammar grade of—

Less than 250	\$1,800
250 and upwards	2,000

The annual salaries paid to Principals and Vice-Principals in Female Grammar Schools shall be as follows :

The Principals in Schools having an average attendance for the preceding year of—

100 or less	\$1,200
101 to 150	1,300
151 to 300	1,500
301 to 500	1,600
501 and upwards	1,700

The Vice-Principals in Schools having an average attendance for the preceding year of a Grammar grade of—

Less than 250	\$1,000
250 and upwards	1,200

The annual salaries paid to Principals and Vice-Principals in Primary Departments and Schools shall be as follows :

To Principals in Schools having an average attendance for the preceding year of—

200 or less	\$1,000
201 to 400	1,100
401 to 500	1,300
501 to 600	1,400
601 to 850	1,500
851 to 1,000	1,600
1,001 and upwards	1,700

To Vice-Principals in Schools having an average attendance for the preceding year of—

Less than 350	\$850
351 to 500	900
501 to 1,000	1,000
1,001 and upwards	1,200

All persons employed as Principals of Grammar or of Primary Departments and Schools, who shall have been so employed for a period of fourteen years, and whose record for five years preceding the application shall be *excellent*, shall be paid not less than the following annual salaries, if approved by a majority vote of all the members of the Board of Education, viz.:

For Principals of Male and Mixed Departments	\$2,500
For Principals of Female Departments	1,900
For Principals of Primary Departments and Schools . .	1,750

2. *Male Assistant Teachers.*

The annual salaries of the Male Assistant Teachers shall be of the following classes and amounts, viz.:

1st Class	\$2,004
2d " 	1,716
3d " 	1,464
4th " 	1,248
5th " 	1,068

Where five male assistants are employed, there shall be allowed one salary of each class.

Where four are employed, one each of the first, second, fourth and fifth class.

Where three are employed, one each of the second, third and fourth class.

Where two are employed, one each of the second and fourth class.

Where one is employed, one of the second class.

3. *Female Assistant Teachers.*

The annual salaries of the Female Assistant Teachers in Male, Mixed and Female Grammar Schools, and in Primary Schools and Departments, shall be of the following classes and amounts, viz. :

Male Grammar Schools.

1st Class	.....	\$1,116
2d "	.....	1,020
3d "	.....	933
4th "	.....	855
5th "	.....	786
6th "	.....	726
7th "	.....	675
8th "	.....	633

Mixed Grammar Schools.

1st Class	.....	\$1,086
2d "	.....	990
3d "	.....	903
4th "	.....	825
5th "	.....	756
6th "	.....	696
7th "	.....	645
8th "	.....	603

Female Grammar Schools.

1st Class	.....	\$1,056
2d "	.....	960
3d "	.....	873
4th "	.....	795
5th "	.....	726
6th "	.....	666
7th "	.....	615
8th "	.....	573

Primary Departments and Schools.

1st Class.....	\$900
2d ".....	834
3d ".....	774
4th ".....	720
5th ".....	672
6th ".....	630
7th ".....	594
8th ".....	564
9th ".....	540
10th ".....	522
11th ".....	510
12th ".....	504

The number of salaries of each class that shall be allowed any School or Department shall be as follows :

Where eight female assistants are employed in any Male, Mixed or Female Grammar School, there shall be allowed one salary of each class of Male, Mixed or Female Grammar salaries, as the case may be.

Where more than eight are employed, there shall be added a salary of each class of similar salaries, beginning with the next, and repeating, if necessary, until the required number is reached. But there shall not be allowed to any Grammar School more than one salary of the first or second class, two of the third class, three of the fourth class, four of the fifth class, five of the sixth class, or six of the seventh class.

Where less than eight are employed, there shall be deducted a salary of each highest and lowest class alternately, beginning with the lowest, until the required number is reached.

Female first assistants, heretofore appointed, who teach the first grammar grades alone or in connection with other grades in Mixed Grammar Schools where boys and girls are instructed in the same class, and where no male assistant is employed, and where the average attendance exceeds one hundred and fifty, shall not be counted under the foregoing provisions, and they shall be paid a special salary of \$1,440.

Where twelve assistants are employed in any Primary Department or School, there shall be allowed one of each class of Primary salaries.

Where more than twelve are employed, there shall be allowed additional Primary salaries in the same manner as in the Grammar Schools. But there shall not be allowed to any Primary Department or School more than one salary of the first, second, third or fourth class, two of the fifth or sixth class, three of the seventh or eighth class, four of the ninth or tenth class, or five of the eleventh class.

Where less than twelve are employed, salaries shall be deducted in the same manner as in the Grammar Schools.

4. General Provisions.

The allowance of salaries, according to the preceding provisions of this section, to the several Grammar and Primary Departments and Schools shall be made at the beginning of each year, and shall not be changed during the year, and the salaries so allowed shall be paid to the teachers in the order of their positions in their respective Departments and Schools.

In Departments and Schools where both Grammar and Primary grades are taught the salaries allowed to assistants in Grammar Schools shall be given to similar assistants who teach Grammar grades, and the salaries allowed to assistants in Primary Schools shall be given to assistants who teach the Primary grades.

All assistant teachers of less than one year's experience as instructors in the schools of this city or elsewhere shall be known as Junior Teachers, and be paid for the first year's service: Males, a salary of seven hundred and twenty dollars per annum; females, a salary of four hundred and eight dollars per annum, and, on the expiration of the year's service, they shall subsequently be entitled, as assistant teachers, to the salaries prescribed in this article, and cease to be considered as Junior Teachers.

Substitute teachers shall be paid at the rate of one dollar and a quarter per day of actual service.

Amend § 36, page 115, by striking out paragraph 1.

Amend § 37, paragraph 2, page 117, by striking out the word "Vice-Principals" in the second line, and substituting the words "Assistant Teachers."

Amend § 39, page 120, by striking out the word "fifty" in the sixth line, and substituting the word "sixty."

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		

Referred to Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to which was referred the communication from Mrs. J. J. Hill, Principal P. D. G. S. No. 74, dated October 7, 1885, requesting that the report of this Committee, adopted June 24th, Journal, pp. 448, 449, be modified: stating, that said communication has been carefully considered, and that the Committee believe the application should be denied.

The circumstances upon which the former report, now criticised by Mrs. Hill, was founded, were investigated with great care, and great pains to arrive at a just conclusion. No reason has been presented which could lead the Committee to modify the report, already submitted.

Mrs. Hill asks for a reconsideration of the whole matter, and also asks that certain portions of the report be omitted or changed.

She objects to the statement that "no proof was offered to show that Mrs. Hill ever struck the child." The Committee is not familiar with any form of speech which exonerates Mrs. Hill more completely than this sentence does from the charge of beating the child whose mother made the complaint.

With regard to the "second" and "third" paragraphs of Mrs. Hill's petition, the Committee were and are convinced

that the facts are as stated in the former report, and as to the mention of other "complaints" and "controversies" there is no reason why this part of the report should be expunged.

The complaints came regularly before the Committee. The evidence was confused and conflicting. No satisfactory report could be made, but an omission of all reference to them would not have been justifiable.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the Committee on Teachers be discharged from the further consideration of the application of Mrs. Joanna J. Hill, dated Oct. 7, 1883.

DAVID WETMORE,	} Committee on Teachers.
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	
WILLIAM WOOD,	

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom were referred applications from the Trustees of several Wards, to excuse the absence of teachers, with full pay ; stating, that the cause of absence in each case is personal illness.

A statement is submitted, showing the record of each applicant for the past five years.

The Committee recommend that the absences be excused, with full pay, for the "time allowed," in the following resolution, which is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the following-named teachers be excused for absence, and granted leave of absence, with full pay, for the "time allowed" herein :

WARD.	School.	Name.	Time Allowed.	Years of Service.	Instruction.	Discipline.	No. Days Lost.	Exc. with full pay.
6th.	F. D. 23.	Jane A. Grant.....	19 d. May....	33	Good.....	Ex.	55	.....
7th.	M. D. 2.	Mary L. McAuley.....	10 d. June....	26	Ex.....	Ex.....	41	53 d.
8th.	F. D. 38.	Sarah L. Frost.....	11 d. Sept....	20	{ Ex..... 1 y..... }		2	.....
					{ Good.... 4 y. Ex..... }			
	M. D. 8.	John T. Maguire.....	1 d. June....	16	Management Excellent..		35	10 d.
	F. D. 38.	Mary I. Keller.....	9 d. June....	18	{ Good.... 3 y..... }		49	.....
					{ Ex..... 2 y. Ex..... }			

WARD.	School.	Name.	Time Allowed.	Years of Service.	Instruction.	Discipline.	No. Days Lost.	Exc. with full pay.
8th.	M. D. 8.	Sarah M. Ferguson	10 d. Sept.	8	{ Good...1 y..... Ex.....4 y.Ex..... }		16	.....
10th.	P. D. 42.	S. Fannie Johnson	6 d. Sept.	9	Ex.....Ex.....		38	.....
11th.	F. D. 22.	Rachel J. Wilbur	4 d. Feb.	18	{ Good...1 y..... Ex.....4 y.Ex..... }		15	3 d.
	M. D. 15.	Hannah Newburger	{ Sept. 14 to Nov. 14..... }	5	{ Good...2 y..... Ex.....3 y.Ex..... }		33	.....
	P. S. 31.	Hannah Cromer	6 d. Sept.	7	Ex.....Ex.....		2	.....
	P. S. 31.	Joanna M. Addi	7 d. Sept.	17	Ex.....Ex.....		18	5 d.
	F. D. 71.	Honora E. Fahey	14½ d. June	22	{ Good...1 y..... Ex.....4 y.Ex..... }		22	.....
	P. D. 36.	Lottie E. Boole	{ 3 mos. from Sept. 14.. }	7	{ Good...1 y..... Ex.....4 y.Ex..... }		15	.....
12th.	M. D. 57.	Juliet Conklin	{ 12 d. May.. 8 d. June.. }	23	{ Good...1 y..... Ex.....4 y.Ex..... }		52	.....
	F. D. 78.	Annie T. Smart	17d. June	6	{ Ex.....1 y..... Good...1 y.Ex...2 y. Not examined.....3 y }		79	33 d.
	F. D. 37.	Lydia N. Lowenstein	17 d. March	11	Ex.....Ex.....		50	27 d.
	P. D. 37.	Kate T. Smith	3 d. Sept.	22	{ Good...1 y..... Ex.....4 y.Ex..... }		47	14 d.
	F. D. 37.	Ida R. Huleu	1 d. Sept	19	Ex.....Ex.....		93	59 d.
	M. D. 57.	Isabella McCabe	13 d. Sept.	17	Ex.....Ex.....		51	16 d.
15th.	F. D. 4.	Alice L. Courtier	4½ d. Sept.	10	{ Ex.....4 y..... Good...1 y.Ex..... }		2	.....
	F. D. 34.	Martha J. Burn	{ 20 d. June.. 3 d. July... }	11	{ Good...4 y..... Ex.....1 y.Ex..... }		34	4 d.
16th.	M. D. 11.	Marie C. Lamb	3 d. Sept.	20	Good.....Ex.....		46	35 d.
	P. D. 56.	Sophie T. Ecker	9 d. Sept.	17	General Assistant		2	.....
17th.	M. D. 25.	James Kelly	5½ d. Sept.	18	{ Good...3 y..... Ex.....2 y..... }		23	4 d.
	M. D. 25.	Thusnelda J. Gorenflo	½ d. Sept.	13	{ Good...4 y.Good.2 y. Ex.....1 y.Ex...3 y. }		26	2 d.
	P. D. 25.	M. Louisa Byrdsall	3 d. Sept.	24	Ex.....Ex.....		37	14 d.
19th.	F. D. 53.	Anna C. Kelly	8 d. Sept.	13	Ex.....Ex.....		24	2 d.
	F. D. 59.	K. D. Blake	4 d. May	9	Ex.....Ex.....		23	6 d.
	M. D. 70.	A. C. Billings	8 d. Sept.	10	{ Good...4 y..... Ex.....1 y.Ex..... }		46	.....
20th.	G. D. 32.	Margaret T. Farrell	10½ d. Sept	7	{ Ex.....3 y..... Fair...1 y..... Good...1 yEx..... }		11	.....
	P. D. 33.	Irene M. Gahagan	11 d. Sept.	28	Good.....Good.....		5	.....
22d.	F. D. 9.	Martha M. Asten	10 d. Sept.	16	{ Good...1 y..... Ex.....4 y.Ex..... }		59	9 d.
	P. D. 67.	Cath. Gass	11 d. Sept.	11	{ Ex.....4 y..... Good...1 y.Ex..... }		44	10 d.

DAVID WETMORE,
EUGENE H. POMEROY,
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WILLIAM WOOD,

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Committee
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Teachers.

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to which was referred the communication

from the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, asking that Mrs. Margaret L. Miller, Principal of Primary School No. 40, be paid the maximum salary prescribed for fourteen years' service, in section 35, subdivision 4, of the by-laws; stating, that on September 13, 1871, Miss Miller was nominated as Principal of P. S. No. 10, and she was confirmed by the Board of Education on the 27th of the same month. In November, 1881, she was transferred to P. S. No. 40.

For the past five years she has been marked *excellent* in management.

Miss Miller is therefore entitled to be paid the maximum salary.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That Miss Margaret L. Miller, Principal of Primary School No. 40, be paid the salary prescribed for Principals of fourteen years standing in Primary Departments and Schools, in section 35, sub-division 4, of the by-laws, she having completed her fourteen years' of service as Principal on September 27, 1885, and the record of her school for the past five years, as appears from the records in the City Superintendent's office, being "excellent."

DAVID WETMORE,	} Committee on Teachers.
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	
WILLIAM WOOD,	

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to which was referred the application of Mr. David Crounse, to permit his daughter to attend Grammar School No. 17; stating, that upon investigation it is ascertained that Mr. Crounse, who has a permanent residence at No. 601 Tenth avenue, in consequence of his wife's failing health, removed temporarily last June, to Passaic, and intends to return to this city at an early day, never having relinquished his claim to a legal residence in this city.

In the opinion of the Committee Mr. Crounse is a legal

resident of the City of New York, and his daughter is entitled to attend Grammar School No. 17 as a pupil.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That in the opinion of this Board, Mr. David Crounse is a legal resident of the City of New York, and his daughter is entitled to attend Grammar School No. 17 as a pupil.

DAVID WETMORE, EUGENE H. POMEROY, GILBERT H. CRAWFORD, WILLIAM WOOD,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
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Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner HOLT presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, to whom were referred applications from the Trustees of the Ninth and Twelfth Wards for authority to advertise for proposals for furniture required for the new buildings in course of completion for P. S. No. 7, and G. S. No. 83, respectively ; stating, that these buildings are nearing completion, and it is necessary that the authority asked for should be granted.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the School Trustees of the Ninth Ward and Twelfth Ward be and they hereby are authorized to advertise in the *City Record* for two weeks, for proposals for supplying the furniture required for the new buildings in course of erection for Primary School No. 7, and Grammar School No. 83, respectively. Plans and specifications to be prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the Committee on School Furniture and Trustees of the Wards named herein.

CHAS. L. HOLT, EDWARD J. H. TAMSEN, H. B. PERKINS,	}	<i>Committee on School Furniture.</i>
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Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner HOLT presented a report from the Com-

mittee on School Furniture, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward for a suspension of the by-laws, and payment of the bill of Baker, Pratt & Co., for furniture supplied G. S. No. 78, in 1884, amounting to \$196.66 ; stating, that on November 17th, 1884, the Trustees filed an application with the Committee for authority to supply certain furniture for Grammar School No. 78, at a cost of \$200, from the Buildings Contingent Fund. This application was granted by the Committee under the provision of section 54 of the by-laws, on December 1, 1884, and an appropriation of \$200 made for payment of the same.

Upon receipt of the bill, amounting to \$190.66, it appears that the work was supplied on November 30th, or one day prior to the authority given by the Committee.

The work was necessary, and as the appropriation made by the Committee stands to the credit of the account, this Committee recommend that the bill be paid, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the bill of Baker, Pratt & Co., amounting to \$190.66, for furniture, &c., supplied G. S. No. 78, on Nov-30th, 1884, be paid from the Buildings Contingent Fund of that year, and that all by-laws or parts of by-laws inconsistent herewith be suspended for the purpose of this resolution.

CHAS. L. HOLT,	}	<i>Committee on School Furniture</i>
H. B. PERKINS,		
EDWARD J. H. TAMSEN,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner HOLT presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, to whom was referred the award of contract by the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward for the furniture required for the new addition in course of erection for Grammar School No. 32 ; stating, that for Part I of the specifications two bids were received, \$635 and \$675. The lowest bidder being A. H. Andrews & Co., to whom the contract is awarded.

For Part II of the specifications, a proposal was received

from A. H. Andrews & Co., the only bid offered, submitting eight different styles of furniture, with a stated price for each. Of the samples submitted, the Trustees have selected that known as the "Gem desk in cherry" with "separate seats," amounting to \$1,798.

The Committee on inquiry find that the Trustees have carefully considered the merits of the various patterns of furniture offered, and have concluded that the selection made is best adapted to the use of the pupils for whom provision is to be made.

The Committee see no reason why their judgment should not be concurred in, and recommend that the awards of contract made by said Trustees be confirmed, and the sum of \$2,433 be appropriated for the purpose of carrying out the contracts.

CHARLES L. HOLT,	}	<i>Committee on School Furniture.</i>
H. B. PERKINS,		
EDWARD J. H. TAMSEN,		

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner SELIGMAN presented a report from the Committee on Supplies, to whom was referred the application of the St. Vincent's Free School for a donation of discarded books from the Depository; stating, that in their opinion the Board has no authority to furnish the same. The Committee, therefore, recommend that the application be denied, and submit for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the application from St. Vincent's Free School for a donation of discarded books from the Depository, be and the same is hereby denied.

DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,	}	<i>Committee on Supplies.</i>
DAVID WETMORE,		
CHARLES L. HOLT,		
H. B. PERKINS,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner SELIGMAN presented a report from the Committee on Supplies, to whom was referred the application of John H. McKinley to have the "Lewis Hand Fire Extinguish-

er " furnished for use in the schools ; recommending that the request be denied, and submit for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the application of John H. McKinley to have the " Lewis Hand Fire Extinguisher " furnished for use in the schools under the control of this Board, be and the same is hereby denied.

DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,	}	<i>Committee on Supplies.</i>
DAVID WETMORE,		
CHARLES L. HOLT,		
H. B. PERKINS,		
HENRY SCHMITT,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner WOOD presented a report from the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, relative to the list of supplies for the year 1886, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Committee on Course of Study and School Books respectfully report: That in pursuance of the requirements of section 115 of the Manual, a list of text books adopted by the Board in 1884 for the use of the schools in 1885, was referred to your Committee in the month of September last. By the same section of the by-laws, we are required, during the month of October, to report to the Board "whether, in our opinion, any and what books, charts or cards should be stricken off or added to the list of supplies for the ensuing year." The conclusions we have reached upon the subject so referred to us is embodied in the following resolutions, which we respectfully submit for adoption :

Resolved, That the following books, charts and cards be added to the list of supplies :

Arithmetics.

Fish's Arithmetics, Parts 1 and 2.

Thompson's First Lessons.

" Complete.

Ray's New Test Examples.

Raub's Elementary Arithmetic.

“ Complete “

Copy Books.

Harper's Grammar Series, 8 Nos.

“ Primary “ 7 “

Porter & Coates' “ 6 “

Requa's Writing Tablets.

German.

Grauert's Pracktische Grammatik.

Geography.

Barnes' Physical.

Maury's Revised Physical.

Geometry.

School Ecletic.

Grammar.

How to Talk.

How to Write.

Raub's Practical English Grammar.

Meleney & Giffin's Dictation and Language Lessons.

Morris' Primer of English Grammar.

Westlake's How to Write Letters.

Josiah H. Gilbert's Graded Lessons in Language and
Synonyms.

Hygiene.

Smith's Primer of Physiology.

Ellis' Primary Physiology.

Johonnot's "How We Live."

Sound Bodies for Boys and Girls.

Natural Philosophy.

Gillet & Rolfe's First Book.

Readers.

Appleton's Chart Primer.

Monroe's New 4th and 5th.

Swinton's Classical 6th.

Modern Readers, Nos. 1 to 3.

“ Grammar School Reader.

Buckelew & Lewis' A, B, C Reader.

Continental, Nos. 1 and 2.

Classic Primer, by Stickney.

Forbes' Lessons on Practical Subjects.

Johonnot's Nat. History Readers, 5 Nos., Supplementary :

No. 1, Cats and Dogs.

“ 2, Feathers and Furs.

“ 3, Wings and Fins.

“ 4, Claws and Hoofs.

“ 5, Animate World.

Primer Natural Resources, U. S. By J. H. Paton, Supplementary.

Winners of Life Race. By A. B. Buckley, Supplementary.

A World of Wonders. By A. B. Buckley, Supplementary.

Life and Her Children. By A. B. Buckley, Supplementary.

Boys and Girls in Biology, from Huxley's Lectures. By Sarah A. Stevenson, Supplementary.

Brewer's Science of Things Familiar, Supplementary.

Westlake's Common School Literature, Supplementary.

English Classics, published by Clark & Maynard :

In Memoriam. By Tennyson, Supplementary.

Rab and His Friends. By Dr. Brown, “

Orations. By Adams & Jefferson, “

Roundabout Papers. By Thackeray, “

The Shakesperian Speaker, “

Lycidas. By Milton, “

Hymn on Nativity. By Milton, “

Legend of Sleepy Hollow. By Irving, “

Vicar of Wakefield. By Goldsmith, “

Sketch Book. By Irving, “

- Lady of the Lake. By Scott, Supplementary.
 Elegy in a Country Church Yard. By Gray, “
 Julius Cæsar, “
 Lamb's Tales of Shakespeare, “
 Webster's Orations, “
 Ruskin's Modern Painters, “
 Macaulay's Warren Hastings, “
 “ Armada, “
 Byron's Prophecy of Dante, “
 Christmas Carols. By Dickens, “
 Washington Irving's Sketch Book, published by Ginn &
 Heath, Supplementary.
 Reed's Word Book.
 Campbell's Reading Lessons, with script letters, Pts. 1 and 2.
 Johonnot's Word Book.

Song Books.

- Ryan's Vocalist.
 Exercises and Songs for School and Home, Parts 2 and 3.
 Mason's Independent Music Reader.
 Normal Music Readers, Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4.
 Theodore F. Seward's Tonic Sol fa Music Reader.
 Theodore F. Seward's Tonic Sol fa Music Reader, Supple-
 ment.
 Theodore F. Seward's Tonic Sol fa Music Reader and
 Supplement combined.
 Theodore F. Seward's Tonic Sol fa Modulator.

For Normal College.

- Primer of Botany. By J. D. Hooker.
 Primer of English Composition. By J. Nichols.
 Johonnot's Principles and Practices of Teaching.
 Bain's Education as a Science.
 Herbert Spencer's Education.
 Hodgson's Errors in use of English.
 Roemer's Principles of English Grammar.
 Harkness' Complete Course in Latin for 1st year.

Harkness' Elements of Latin Grammar.

" Cæsar's Commentaries.

" Latin Exercises for 1st year.

" Cicero's Orations.

Adler's German Dictionary, School Edition.

Spier & Surrennes' French Dictionary, School Edition.

Sully's Outlines of Psychology.

Leconte's Compend of Geology.

Holder's Elements of Zoology.

Youman's Descriptive Botany.

Clarke's Elements of Chemistry.

Tracy's Physiology.

Searings' Virgil, 1st six books, published by A. S. Barnes & Co.

Armstrong's Primer History of England.

Horace. By T. E. Page, published by Macmillan & Co.

Cicero. By Chase & Stuart.

Tacitus. By W. F. Allen, published by Ginn & Heath.

Friezes' Virgil, published by D. Appleton & Co.

Human Psychology. By E. Janes.

Butler's Sallust, published by D. Appleton & Co.

Gillet & Rolfe's Natural Philosophy.

Gillet's & Rolfe's Astronomy.

Aubert's French Literary Exercises.

Home Culture, published by E. B. Treat.

Books of Reference (for use of Teachers exclusively).

Adler's German Dictionary, 4to edition.

Spier & Surrennes' French Dictionary, 4to edition.

Heilprin's Historical Reference Book.

Dalton's Physiology.

Webster's Condensed Dictionary.

Charts.

Normal Music Charts, 1st and 2d series.

Eclectic Chart of Elementary Geography.

Maps.

Wood's Historical Map.

Eclectic Wall Maps.

Composition.

Allen's Composition Books, Nos. 1 and 2.

For Evening High School.

Grauerts' German Reader.

Graham's Hand Book of Standard Phonography.

“ Standard Phonographic Readers, Nos. 1 and 2.

“ “ Phonographic Dictionary.

Fiva's Elementary French.

DeTornos' Course in Spanish.

Principia Latina, Parts 1 and 2.

For Junior Evening School No. 16.

Badois' French Grammar.

Resolved, That the following books, charts and cards be stricken from the list :

Algebra.

Brooks' Elementary Algebra.

“ Algebra, Part 1.

Docharty's Algebra.

Wentworth's Elementary Algebra.

“ “ “ Part 1.

Drawing Books.

Bartholomew's Primary, Nos. 1 to 4.

“ Grammar, “ 5 to 13.

“ High School, Nos. 14 and 15.

White's Projection.

French.

Hennequin's Lessons in Idiomatic French.

Readers.

Lerow's Practical Reader.

Lippincott's Readers, Nos. 2 and 4.

Parker & Watson's Reader No. 1.

Sanders' New 4th Reader.

Books for Normal College.

Rand, McNalley & Co's Atlas of the World, Indexes.

Students' History of Greece.

“ “ Rome.

Charts.

Monroe's Primary Reading Charts.

Montieth's Pictorial Chart.

Maps.

Guyot's Maps, Large Series.

Object Teaching.

Dissected Letters.

“ Figures.

Resolved, That Readers of the lower grades, printed in Leigh's type, be supplied to the Board under the same regulations, as to the number to be furnished, &c., as exist respecting books in ordinary type.

Resolved, That the list of supplies, as amended by the foregoing resolutions, be referred to the Committee on Supplies, with directions to print the same and advertise for proposals to supply the schools with the various articles enumerated therein.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM WOOD,	} Committee on Course of Study, etc.
W. B. WALLACE,	
CHARLES CRARY,	
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	
EDWARD J. H. TAMSEN,	

Except as to Th. Seward's Tonic Sol fa Music Reader.

E. T.

Laid over under the rule.

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

Commissioner BELL presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Evening Schools, asking for an additional appropriation of one hundred and fifty dollars for incidental expenses of Evening Schools; stating, that the Board has the financial ability to appropriate the sum named. The report of the Committee on Evening Schools is on page 641 of the Journal.

ISAAC BELL,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner BELL presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred a communication from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking for an appropriation of \$41.12 for alterations, &c., at Grammar School No. 68, occasioned by the erection of an adjoining building; stating, that it seems to them proper that this small amount should come from the appropriation for the Buildings Contingent Fund, and suggests that the said communication be referred to the Committee on Buildings.

ISAAC BELL,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,		

Laid over under the rule.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

The PRESIDENT resumed the Chair.

Commissioner TAMSEN offered the following:

Resolved, That the Board of Education, in accordance with the action of the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, as reported to this Board, October 21, 1885, and in accordance with section 1027, subdivision 13 of the statute, page 20 of the Manual of Board of Education for 1885, concur in the

discontinuance of Primary School No. 9, and that the pupils and teachers of said school be transferred to Primary Department of Grammar School No. 79.

Adopted.

Commissioner POMEROY, in connection with said resolution, offered the following :

Whereas, The Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward have consented to discontinue Primary School No. 9, from and after November 1, 1885, and also the Male Department of Grammar School No. 13, from and after November 1, 1885; and

Whereas, Said Trustees have applied, in writing, for the establishment of a new school to be known as Grammar School No. 79, to consist of a Primary Department and Male Grammar Department from said November 1, 1885; therefore, be it

Resolved, That Primary School No. 9 be, and the same is discontinued, to take effect on November 1, 1885, and that Male Department of Grammar School No. 13 be and the same hereby is discontinued, to take effect on November 1, 1885; and be it further

Resolved, That a new school be established in the building Nos. 38-42 First street, to be known as Grammar School No. 79, on and after the above mentioned date, to consist of a Male Grammar Department and a Mixed Primary Department; and that the transfer of Principals, Vice-Principals and Teachers, as directed by previous resolution of this Board, be in all respects confirmed.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Traud, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—17.

Commissioner SCHMITT moved that the vote on the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Teachers, in the case of Miss Annie M. Hoffman, be reconsidered.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Seligman, Simmons, Wallace and Wood—12.

Nays—Commissioners Bell, Devoe, Schwab, Traud and Wetmore—5.

Ordered, That said report be laid over, and retain its place in the Schedule.

Commissioner SELIGMAN moved that the Committee on Technical and Industrial Education be requested to report at the second meeting in November.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT appointed Commissioner CRARY to fill the vacancy in the Special Committee on Technical Education, occasioned by the resignation of Commissioner Ivins.

Commissioner WOOD offered the following :

Resolved, That the Committee on Supplies be directed to prepare a Map for the School Directory of 1886, in which the Ward and District boundaries shall be laid down by very thin and different colored lines, and in which the Grammar Schools be designated by a *green circle*, with the number in the center; the Primary Schools by a *red square*, with the number in the center; and the Corporate Schools by a *yellow triangle*, with the initials of the Corporation in the center; and further, that the lines of all the city railroads be designated by dotted lines of some color different from these of the Wards and Districts; and that said map be printed on thin but tough paper, and mounted on gauze muslin of the thinnest sort; and be it further

Resolved, That the Committee on Supplies be directed to prepare and print a Salary Directory for 1886, similar to that of 1884, and giving the same information with regard to seating capacity, &c., &c., and the same number of copies ; and further, be it

Resolved, That these two Directories be prepared and printed on or before 1st March, 1886.

Adopted.

Commissioner WALLACE offered the following :

Resolved, That a Special Committee of Five be appointed to consider the advisability of rescinding the resolution on page 615 of the minutes of 1881, directing a deduction of three months' pay from the salary of John Boyle, and as to the advisability of paying the amount of the salary deducted pursuant to said resolution, to the widow of said John Boyle, deceased.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Bell, Devoe, Perkins, Schmitt, Traud and Wallace—6.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crawford, Galloway, Holt, Pomeroy, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Wetmore and Wood—10.

Commissioner SCHMITT offered the following :

Whereas, The Board of Education, at a meeting held Dec. 22, 1875, adopted the following resolution :

“ Resolved, That the Principal of each and every department of the Common Schools of this city shall be regularly furnished with a copy of the Minutes of this Board, and *that the same shall be regularly filed FOR THE USE OF THE DEPARTMENTS ;”* and

Whereas, A large number of Principals of schools have subsequently been appointed ;

Resolved, That a copy of said resolution be sent to the Principals of all the schools and departments under the care of this Board.

Adopted.

Commissioner POMEROY offered the following :

Resolved, That the words "so far as the authority of the Clerk is derived from this Board," found in the twelfth and thirteenth lines of page 81 of the Manual, be stricken out.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

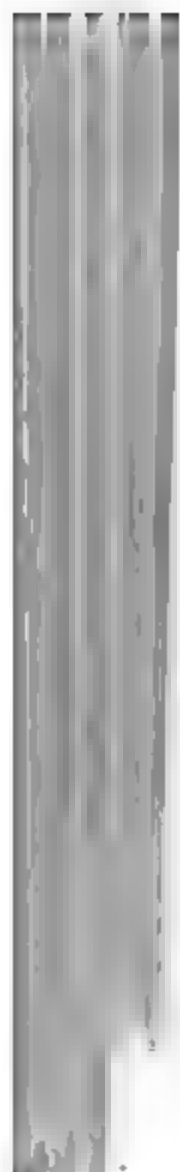
ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Commissioner WOOD—

The Board adjourned.

JOHN DAVENPORT,

Acting Clerk.



WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 1885.

STATED SESSION.

Present—STEPHEN A. WALKER, Esq., President, and Commissioners BELL, CRARY, CRAWFORD, DEVOE, GALLAWAY, HOLT, KELLY, PERKINS, POMEROY, SCHMITT, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, SIMMONS, TAMSEN, TRAUD, WALLACE, WETMORE and WOOD—19.

Absent—Commissioners VERMILYE and WELCH—2.

The PRESIDENT announced for consideration the minutes of the last session.

Commissioner POMEROY moved that they be amended as follows :

Amend the second line from the top of page 693 by inserting the word “ and ” after the word “ office.”

Amend page 703, tenth line from bottom of the page, by striking out the word “ view ” and inserting “ lieu.”

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the session held on October 21, as printed in the Journal, and amended, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners BELL, CRAWFORD, GALLAWAY, HOLT, KELLY, PERKINS, POMEROY, SELIGMAN, SIMMONS, TAMSEN, TRAUD, WETMORE and WOOD—14.

COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Trustees of the Fourth, Seventh, Tenth, Eleventh, Twelfth, Fifteenth, Sixteenth, Seventeenth, Eighteenth, Nine-

teenth, Twentieth, Twenty-first and Twenty-second Wards, to excuse the absence of teachers, &c.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power conferred by the by-laws.

From the Trustees of the Second Ward, recommending the reappointment of James J. Dean, for Trustee of said Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Nomination of Trustees.

From the Trustees of the Fourth Ward, asking that Miss C. M. Fitzgibbon, Principal P. D. G. S. No. 1, be paid the maximum salary.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, for authority to put Riker's Calorific Pump in G. S. building No. 31.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, asking for payment of a bill of \$50 for repairing the piano in Male Department G. S. No. 55.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, relative to salary of Wm. O'Brien, late Principal of G. S. No. 19.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, relative to the death of Miss Kate V. Gregory, G. S. No. 50.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for the payment of the maximum salary to Miss Winifred Connolly and Mrs. Mary E. De Shays, G. S. No. 18.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for an amendment to the by-laws, so as to permit the payment of

substitutes when teaching a class where the teacher has resigned.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

CITY SUPERINTENDENT.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following report of the operations of the Truancy Department for the month of October, as follows :

CITY SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, }
NEW YORK, November 4, 1885. }

To the Honorable the Board of Education :

GENTLEMEN—In compliance with law, I submit herewith the report of the Truancy Department for the month of October last:

- The whole number of visits made was 2,428.
- The number of cases investigated and closed was 1,344.
- Of this number 313 reported as truants, and 143 as non-attendants, were placed in school.
- Appended will be found a statement of the month's work.

Very respectfully,

JOHN JASPER,
City Superintendent.

SCHEDULE.

Total number of visits made.....	2,428
To homes.....	1,739
To schools.....	639
To stores and factories	50
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Total.....	2,428
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Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From Principals of Primary Departments and Schools relative to salaries.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From Henry Levy, on behalf of graduates of Grammar Schools Nos. 42 and 75, for permission to use one of the rooms

in the school building for the meetings of the Society of Graduates.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From Hoffman & Locke, relative to the Monarch Fire Killer
Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From Teachers of Schools relative to the equalization of salaries, and asking to heard in relation thereto.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

REPORTS LAID OVER UNDER THE RULE.

The PRESIDENT announced for consideration so much of the report of the Committee on Teachers, relative to the consolidation of schools, pp. 449-454, 485, 510, as relates to the matters included in Resolutions 3 to 12, inclusive, Journal, pp. 453, 454. Journal, p. 677.

Commissioner POMEROY moved that resolution 3 be amended to read as follows:

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Board that Primary School No. 48 should be discontinued, and the school be reorganized as a branch to Primary School No. 47, whenever the position of principal therein becomes vacant by transfer or otherwise.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the third resolution attached to the report of the Committee as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT announced the fourth resolution, Journal page 453.

Commissioner POMEROY moved that said resolution be amended to read as follows:

Resolved, That in the opinion of this Board Primary School No.

30, on Ward's Island, Twelfth Ward, should be discontinued, and reorganized as a branch of the P. D. G. S. No. 83, whenever the position of Principal therein becomes vacant by transfer or otherwise.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said amendment, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Traud, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—15.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Perkins and Tamsen—4.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT announced the fifth resolution (P. S. No. 33), Jour., p. 453, and put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wetmore and Wood—18.

Nay—Commissioner Wallace—1.

The PRESIDENT announced the sixth resolution, Journal, page 453.

Commissioner POMEROY moved that said resolution be amended by adding the words " whenever the position of Principal therein becomes vacant by transfer or otherwise."

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the amendment offered by Commissioner Pomeroy, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway,

Holt, Kelly, Pomeroy, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Traud, Wetmore and Wood—13.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Perkins, Tamsen and Wallace—5.

Commissioner SCHMITT asked to be and was excused from voting.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt the sixth resolution as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT announced the seventh resolution (Journal, p. 453).

Commissioner POMEROY moved that said resolution be amended by adding thereto, "whenever the position of Principal therein becomes vacant by transfer or otherwise."

Adopted.

Commissioner SCHMITT moved that the seventh, eighth and ninth resolutions be laid over for consideration at the next meeting of the Board.

Which was adopted.

Commissioner POMEROY moved that resolutions 10, 11 and 12 be laid on the table.

Adopted.

THE PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution to remit the fine imposed on John Boyle, late Principal of G. S. No. 74, (Journal, pp. 604, 605. P. 630. P. 679).

Adopted.

Commissioner SIMMONS moved that the original resolution on said subject be laid on the table.

Which was adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, imposing a penalty on Miss Annie M. Hoffman. F. D. G. S. No. 69, Journal, pp. 642-644. P. 680-683. P. 727.

Commissioner CRARY moved that said report be laid over till the next meeting, and to retain its place on the schedule.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Bell, Crary, Devoe, Gallaway, Schmitt, Schwab, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace and Wetmore—10.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crawford, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Seligman, Simmons and Wood—9.

THE PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on By-Laws, &c., denying the application of the Janitors for an increase of salary in 1886 (Journal, pp. 645, 646).

Commissioner TAMSEN moved that said report be laid over, and to retain its place on the schedule.

Which was adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Finance Committee, relative to ability to pay Thomas Cockerill \$8,286.72 for extra work on G. S. No. 33 (Journal, p. 647).

Commissioner SIMMONS moved that said report be referred to the Counsel of the Board for his opinion, and that action be postponed until said opinion be obtained.

Which was lost.

Commissioner CRARY moved that the report be laid on the table.

Which was adopted.

Commissioner CRARY offered the following :

Resolved, That the action of the Committee on Buildings in approval of plans for additional work upon G. S. No. 33, under the contract with Thomas Cockerill be and the same hereby is ratified and confirmed.

Adopted.

Commissioner POMEROY moved that the report of the Finance

Committee relative to the claim of Thomas Cockerill be taken from the table.

Which was adopted.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Buildings (Journal, pp. 525, 526), in connection with this report of the Finance Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes.—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Pomeroy, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace and Wetmore—16.

Nays—Commissioners Schmitt and Wood—2.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, to authorize proposals for heating apparatus for Primary School No. 7 (Journal, p. 685).

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, to be discharged from further consideration of the matter of Mrs. J. J. Hill, Principal of P. D. G. S. No. 74 (Journal, pp. 711, 712).

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, to excuse the absence of teachers, with full pay (Journal, pp. 712, 713).

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—18.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on

Teachers, to pay Miss Margaret L. Miller, Principal of P. S. No. 40, the maximum salary (Journal, pp. 713, 714).

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—17.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, deciding that Mr. David Crounse is a legal resident of the City of New York within the meaning of the law relative to non-resident pupils, &c., Journal, pp. 714, 715.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on School Furniture, to authorize Trustees of Ninth and Twelfth Wards to advertise proposals for furniture for P. S. No. 7, and G. S. No. 83, respectively, Journal, p. 715.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on School Furniture, to pay the bill of Baker, Pratt & Co., for \$190.66, G. S. No. 78, in 1884, Journal, pp. 715, 716.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Supplies, denying the application of the St. Vincent's Free School, for books, Journal, p. 717.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Supplies, denying the application to add the Lewis Hand Fire Extinguisher to the list, Journal, pp. 717, 718.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, submitting their recom-

mendations relative to text books, &c., for the year 1886, Journal, pp. 718-724.

Commissioner WOOD moved that page 722 be amended by adding "Sargeant's Standard Speaker," to the list of books for the Evening High School.

Which was adopted.

Commissioner PERKINS moved that the list be amended by adding "Bryant's Leaflets."

Which was adopted.

The PRESIDENT called Commissioner POMEROY to the Chair.

Commissioner TAMSEN moved to strike out, on page 721, so much as relates to Theodore F. Seward's series of books for teaching the "Tonic Sol Fa" system.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Devoe, Gallaway, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman and Tamsen—7.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Traud, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—11.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* then put the question whether the Board would adopt the first resolution attached to the report of the Committee Journal, pp. 718-723), as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—17.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the second resolution attached to the report of the Committee, Journal, pp. 723, 724, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy,

Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—18.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would adopt the third and fourth resolutions attached to the report of the Committee, found on page 724 of the Journal, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT resumed the Chair.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Finance Committee, to appropriate \$150 additional for expenses of Evening Schools, Journal, p. 725.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Evening Schools, found on page 641 of the Journal, in connection with this report of the Finance Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—18.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Finance Committee, to refer the matter of a bill for \$41.12, for alterations, &c., to the Committee on Buildings, Journal, p. 725.

Adopted.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner SIMMONS presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred a resolution of Commissioner Tamsen (Journal, p. 674), proposing the sanction of the absence of teachers of Grammar School No. 19, on the 20th of October, to attend the funeral of William O'Brien, their late associate ; stating, that without a change or suspension of the by-laws, such absence cannot be excused. The practice of so absenting themselves, whenever such occasions are presented, would interrupt the business of the schools, and if permissible in one case, could not be refused

in others, and would thus become a general custom, detrimental to the pupils.

The Committee recommend that said resolution be not adopted.

J. EDWARD SIMMONS, EUGENE H. POMEROY, FERDINAND TRAUD, WILLIAM WOOD, GILBERT H. CRAWFORD, For presentation.	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, etc.</i>
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Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner SIMMONS presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the amendments to the Course of Study in section 151 of the Manual as proposed by the Committee on Course of Study, &c., recorded on pages 467 and 468 of the Journal, adopted by the Board, and referred to the Committee, per Journal, page 678; stating, that said amendments have received the careful consideration of the Committee. With high respect for the conclusions of the Committee on Course of Study, and of the Board upon the subject, this Committee is unable to agree to the modifications proposed in one respect.

The only change which is suggested is to omit paragraph 3 on page 468 of the Journal in reference to "square root." The following is submitted for adoption:

Resolved, That section 151 of the Manual be amended by adding the following subdivisions:

13. Time in first grade. Pupils in first grade are required to pursue the studies of that grade for one year.

Resolved, That the course of study for Grammar Schools prescribed in the Manual for 1885 be amended as follows:

1. In the second grade, paragraph 4, page 254, amend so as to read:

"4. History of the United States, to the administration of President Buchanan."

2. In the first grade, paragraph 4, page 256, amend as follows:

After the words, "History of the United States," insert the words "completed with."

4. In the first grade, insert on page 257, after paragraph 6, the following :

"7. Plane Geometry. Fundamental theorems and problems."

J. EDWARD SIMMONS,	} Committee on By-Laws, etc.
FERDINAND TRAUD,	
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	
WILLIAM WOOD,	

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner SIMMONS presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, etc., to whom was referred the resolution of Commissioner Pomeroy, with reference to longevity pay to Primary Teachers (Journal, p. 87); stating, that this subject has received the very careful attention that it requires to meet and carefully adjust its application in detail. The Committee have had all the necessary information and statistics for the purpose of forming an intelligent conclusion, and the final result of their deliberations is, that the sum should be distributed among those Primary Teachers who have served continuously in Primary Departments or Schools for seven and fourteen years, the latter receiving twice the sum received by those serving the lesser time, the amount to be paid on a separate pay-roll in December next.

The Committee, to carry into effect this plan, offers for adoption the following amendment to the by-laws :

Amend section 35, by adding the following subdivision, on page 115 of the Manual :

"7. In the year 1885, assistant teachers in the Primary Schools and Departments, who shall have served continuously in any of said schools for seven years prior to December 31, 1885, shall receive, in addition to their regular pay, the sum of sixty-six $\frac{84}{100}$ dollars (\$66.84); those who shall have served continuously for fourteen years prior to said date the sum of one hundred and thirty-three $\frac{68}{100}$ dollars (\$133.68). Said payments to be made upon separate pay-rolls for each ward, to be certi-

fied in the usual manner by the Trustees and Inspectors, to be filed with this Board on or before December 1, 1885.

J. EDWARD SIMMONS,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, etc.</i>
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner SIMMONS presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the resolution submitted by Commissioner POMEROY, Journal, p. 729, to amend section 24 of the by-laws; stating, that in consequence of the absence of the clerk it is necessary that his duties, as defined by both the State laws and the by-laws of the Board, shall be performed by the acting clerk named in said by-laws. Some of these duties are specially defined by sections 1033 and 1050 of the Consolidation Act, to cover which it is deemed proper to further amend said section 24, as herewith submitted for adoption in the following resolution :

Resolved, That section 24 of the by-laws, page 81 of the Manual, be and the same is hereby amended, as follows :

Strike out the words on the twelfth and thirteenth lines, "so far as the authority of the clerk is derived from this Board," and insert, "and to exercise all the powers and perform all the duties of said clerk."

J. EDWARD SIMMONS,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, &c.</i>
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		

Commissioner CRAWFORD asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Craw-

ford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—17.

Commissioner SIMMONS presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, &c., to whom was referred the resolution by Commissioner Wood, in reference to the non-resident pupils in the Normal College, as recorded on page 653 of the Journal; recommending its adoption, by which act the by-law, in its application to the students named in the preamble accompanying said resolution, will be suspended for the reasons therein given.

J. EDWARD SIMMONS, GILBERT H. CRAWFORD, FERDINAND TRAUD, WILLIAM WOOD,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, &c.</i>
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Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom were referred applications from the Trustees of the Twentieth and Twenty-third Wards, to excuse the absence of teachers, with full pay; stating, that the cause of absence in each case reported herein is personal illness.

A statement is submitted, showing the record of each applicant for the past five years.

The Committee recommend that the absences be excused, with full pay, for the time stated in the column "Time allowed," in the following resolution, which is submitted for adoption:

Resolved, That the following-named teachers be excused for absence, with full pay, for the "time allowed" herein:

WARD	School.	Name.	Time Allowed.	Years of Service.	Instruction.	Discipline.	No. Days Lost.	Exc. with full pay.
20th.	P. D. 26.	Janet S. Haslett.....	{ 12 d. May... 8 d. June.. }	12	{ Ex..... 1 y..... Good..... 4 y. Ex..... }		9	.....
23d.	P. D. 62.	Sarah J. MacPherson	{ Sept. 15th to Nov. 1.... }	17	Ex..... Ex.....		19	1 d.

DAVID WETMORE, GILBERT H. CRAWFORD, EUGENE H. POMEROY, EUGENE KELLY, WILLIAM WOOD,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
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Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom were referred the resolutions of Commissioner Tamsen in relation to the consolidation of P. S. No. 6 with G. S. No. 79 (Journal, p. 513) ; stating, that the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward appeared before your Committee and submitted statements showing the average attendance of P. S. No. 6 and the seating capacity of G. S. No. 79.

From these statements, as well as a report from the City Superintendent, it appears that there is not sufficient accommodation in G. S. No. 79 for the pupils of P. S. No. 6 ; and, in the opinion of your Committee, P. S. No. 6 cannot be consolidated with the said G. S. No. 79.

DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
EUGENE KELLY,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner TAMSEN presented a report from the Committee on Nomination of Trustees, submitting nominations of Trustees for all the Wards, for the full term, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Committee on Nomination of Trustees present herewith, for your consideration, the names of gentlemen whom they consider worthy to be recommended as Trustees of Common Schools for the twenty-four Wards for the full term of five years from the first day of January next. These appointments, under section 1025 of Consolidation Act, are to be made on the first Wednesday in December.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the following named persons, citizens of the United States, and residents of the Wards for which they are to act, be, and they hereby are, appointed Trustees of Common Schools, as herein designated, to hold their respective offices for the term of five years from the first day of January eighteen hundred and eighty-six (1886), viz.:

WARD.	NAME.	RESIDENCE.	BUSINESS.
1..	Joseph H. Ford.....	7 Washington street.....	Clerk.
2..	James J. Dean.....	196 Water street.....	Lawyer.
3..	John P. Huggins.....	Cosmopolitan Hotel.....	Hotel proprietor.
4..	Michael J. Duffey.....	439 Pearl street.....	Dry goods.
5..	Fred C. Robinson.....	42 North Moore street.....	Physician.
6..	Alexander Patton, Jr.....	129 White street.....	Insurance.
7..	Wm. H. Townley.....	277 Henry street.....	Lawyer.
8..	Charles H. Housley.....	47 Macdougall street.....	Hatter.
9..	George B. Lawton.....	77 Jane street.....	R. E. Agent.
10..	Joseph Bellows.....	129 Allen street.....	Real estate.
11..	Louis S. Goebel.....	235 Seventh street.....	Lawyer.
12..	Andrew L. Soulard.....	158th st. and Audubon Park..	Insurance.
13..	Frederick Germann.....	176 Clinton street.....	Furniture.
14..	Franklin Smith, M. D.....	184 Grand street.....	Physician.
15..	Edward Schell.....	53 Clinton place.....	Banker.
16..	Peter Macdonald.....	353 West 24th street.....	Real estate.
17..	Hiram Merritt.....	88 East 10th street.....	Real estate.
18..	Frederick Flaccus.....	102 1st avenue.....	Stoves.
19..	Joseph Koch.....	110 East 58th street.....	Dock Department.
20..	John H. Tietjen..	473 10th avenue.	No business.
21..	Cephas G. Thompson.....	185 Lexington avenue.....	Artist.
22..	Henry A. Rogers.....	347 West 57th street.....	Supplies.
23..	Frederick Folz.....	1395 Washington avenue....	No business.
24..	Louis Eickwort.....		Druggist.

Said appointments being made by and in pursuance of the authority conferred upon this Board by the sixth section of the Act of March 21, 1873, as amended April 15, 1873, Act of Consolidation, section 1025.

EDWARD J. H. TAMSEN,	}	<i>Committee on Nomination of Trustees.</i>
ISAAC BELL,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
W. B. WALLACE,		
F. W. DEVOE,		
H. B. PERKINS,		
EUGENE KELLY,		
DAVID WETMORE,		
For presentation,	}	

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner TAMSEN presented a report from the Committee on Nomination of Trustees, to whom was referred the communication from Thomas H. Hartwell, Trustee for the

Fifteenth Ward, resigning his position ; recommending for the vacancy thus caused, Mr. Emerson Foote, residence No. 86 West Eleventh street, and submitting for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That Mr. Emerson Foote, Broker, residence No. 86 West Eleventh street, be and he hereby is appointed Trustee of Common Schools for the Fifteenth Ward, *vice* Thomas H. Hartwell, resigned, to hold office until the first day of January, 1889 ; said appointment being made by and in pursuance of the authority conferred upon this Board by the sixth section of the Act of March 21, 1873, as amended April 15, 1873, Consolidation Act, section 1025.

EDWARD J. H. TAMSEN,	}	<i>Committee on Nominations of Trustees.</i>
DAVID WETMORE,		
EUGENE KELLY,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
ISAAC BELL,		
• W. B. WALLACE,		
F. W. DEVOE,	}	

Commissioner TAMSEN asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—17.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented a report from the Auditing Committee ; stating, that they have examined the accompanying bills, and believing the items thereof to be correct, and the charges reasonable, recommend their payment by the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the following-named bills be and they hereby are approved for payment :

Wm. Walgrain, carpenter work Hall of Board (as per contract), Sept. 15, '85..	\$70 00	
James McCreery & Co., shades Janitor's apartments, Clerk's office and Commissioner's room, Sept. 8, '85.....	\$17 30	
By credit, 2½ yards plush, Board Room, Sept. 7, '85.....	5 00	
	<hr/>	12 30
Jordan & Moriarty, walnut swivel chair, Clerk's office, July 29, '85.....		7 50
Williams Brothers, posting bills for opening of Evening Schools, Sept. 17, '85.....		15 00
Charles S. Sherman, repairing water closets, water pipes, &c., Sept. 10, 11, 12, 17 and 21, '85.....	23 15	
Charles S. Sherman, repairing and furnishing gas fixtures in Board Room, Sept. 11 and 16, '85.....	56 37	
	<hr/>	79 52
The Evening Post Job Printing Office, printing minutes Sept. 9 and 16, miscellaneous blanks, &c., Sept. 10 to 30, '85.....	\$255 20	
Printing miscellaneous blanks, &c., Sept. 10 to 30, '85.....	17 30	
	<hr/>	272 50
Wm. Haab, taking down, cleaning, repairing and fitting up stoves, Hall of Board, Aug. 15, '85.....		59 51
John Blesch, repairing locks and fitting desk keys, Hall of Board, Oct. 19, '85.		3 50
F. Froberg, subscription to Evening Post, Mail and Express, and Com. Advertiser, Sept. 1, to Nov. 1, '85.....		4 33
The Evening Post Job Printing Office, printing minutes of Oct. 7 and 21, mis-		

cellaneous blanks, &c., Oct. 14, 15, 28,	
'85.....	\$201 55
Printing miscellaneous blanks, &c., Oct.	
8, 15, 20, 22, 23, 27, 28, '85.....	41 60
	<hr/> \$243 15
Wm. Oland Bourne, postage and inci-	
dental expenses, Bd of Ed., Oct. 13 to	
Nov. 1.....	50 25
	<hr/> \$817 56

HENRY SCHMITT,	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
ISAAC BELL,	
W. B. WALLACE,	
H. B. PERKINS,	

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner KELLY presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, in reference to the award of contract for heating apparatus required for Grammar School No. 82; stating, that the Committee invited the Trustees of said Ward to an exchange of views upon the subject, and upon a full consultation it was finally determined by them to reconsider their action, and to agree with the award as made by the Board. The contract has been signed, and the work commenced. The Committee ask to be discharged from further consideration of this matter.

EUGENE KELLY,	} <i>Finance Committee.</i>
ISAAC BELL,	
FERDINAND TRAUD,	

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the application of the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward to hire premises on Alexander avenue, near One Hundred and Fortieth street, for use as a branch of Primary Department No. 60, at an annual rent of \$600; stating, that the premises consist of a three-story brick house on the east side of Alexander avenue, second house south of One Hundred and Fortieth street.

It is a good location, but the house has only one narrow stairway, and the rooms are too small to accommodate forty pupils.

Your Committee do not consider the premises desirable for school purposes, and therefore recommend that the application be denied.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the application of the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward to hire premises on Alexander avenue, near One Hundred and Fortieth street, for use as a branch of Primary Department No. 60, be and the same is hereby denied.

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
G. SCHWAB,		
DAVID WETMORE,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		

· Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Seventh Ward to pay the Janitor of Grammar School No. 31 the sum of \$40 for extra cleaning of premises after alterations had been made to the building ; stating, that the Committee have heretofore refused to recommend the payment of bills for cleaning, except in the case of buildings newly erected, and it is therefore recommended that the application be denied, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the application of the Trustees of the Seventh Ward to pay the Janitor of Grammar School No. 31 the sum of forty dollars (\$40) for extra cleaning, &c., be and the same is hereby denied.

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
G. SCHWAB,		
DAVID WETMORE,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward to fit up the premises recently purchased in West Fiftieth street, for school purposes; stating, that they have carefully considered the subject, and deem it inexpedient to grant the application. The Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward concur in this decision of the Committee.

The Committee recommend that the application be denied, and submit the following resolution for adoption:

Resolved, That the application of the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward to fit up the premises on West Fiftieth street, recently purchased, for school purposes be and the same is hereby denied.

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
G. SCHWAB,		
DAVID WETMORE,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the bill of Thomas Falvey, for extra work done in connection with his contract for "repairs and painting," Grammar School No. 37, amounting to \$104.37; stating, that the work represented in the bill was necessary, and was done by agreement with the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, and the Superintendent of School Buildings, under the provisions of the contract. The charges are reasonable and as agreed upon.

The Committee recommend that the bill be paid, and submit the following resolution for adoption:

Resolved, That the sum of one hundred and four $\frac{35}{100}$ dollars (\$104.35) be, and the same is hereby, appropriated in payment of the bill of Thomas Falvey, for extra work done in connection with his contract for "repairs and painting," Grammar School No. 37, said bill to be paid in

accordance with the rules of this Board governing payments.

F. W. DEVOE,	} Committee on Buildings.
G. SCHWAB,	
DAVID WETMORE,	
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	
R. M. GALLAWAY,	

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner KELLY presented a report from the Finance Committee, relative to the claim of Peter W. Felix for taxes, interest, &c., on purchase of a site, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication from Peter W. Felix in relation to the purchase of the premises on the northwesterly corner of 134th street and Sixth avenue, respectfully report : That in consequence of the confirmation of the tax levy for the present year at a time much earlier than usual the title to said premises could not be closed until after such confirmation, and that as it was not contemplated that the seller should pay the taxes for this year the Committee recommend the adoption of a resolution that such taxes be paid so that the premises can be conveyed free from all incumbrances.

In regard to the claim for interest the Committee see no reason why it should be allowed. They are informed that the title was a very difficult one to examine and involved grave questions which necessarily took much time and careful consideration to determine, and that although the same has been ready for acceptance when free from incumbrances the seller has for a long time neglected to complete the sale and has never been ready to do so on account of prior incumbrances.

The Committee submit for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of five hundred and twenty-three dollars and twenty cents be and the same is hereby appropriated to the payment of the taxes for the year 1885 on

the premises situated on the northwesterly corner of One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street and Sixth avenue, being 150 feet front and rear on said street, and 99 feet 11 inches front and rear on said avenue, when the purchase of the same under the resolution heretofore adopted shall be completed.

EUGENE KELLY,	} <i>Finance Committee.</i>
ISAAC BELL,	
FERDINAND TRAUD,	
DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,	

Laid over under the rule.

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, nominating William C. Hess for the position of Principal of Male Department of Grammar School No. 19; stating, that said communication is in the proper form, and certifies the nomination to have been made at a regularly called meeting of the Board of Trustees of said Ward, at which a majority of the whole number in office were present. The qualifications of the candidate are attested by the certificate of the City Superintendent, and the requirements of law having been complied with, the Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That William C. Hess, nominated by the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward for the position of Principal of Male Department of Grammar School No. 19, he having (as appears from the annexed certificate of the City Superintendent) the requisite qualifications, be and he hereby is appointed to said position, from the date of commencement of service, subsequent to the passage of this resolution.

DAVID WETMORE,	} <i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	
WILLIAM WOOD,	
EUGENE KELLY,	

Commissioner WETMORE asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—16.

Commissioner KELLY presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on School Furniture, recommending an appropriation of \$2,433 for award of contract to A. H. Andrews & Co., for furniture required for the addition to Grammar School No. 32, in the Twentieth Ward; stating that the Board has the financial ability to appropriate the amount asked for from the "Bond Account," and offer for adoption the subjoined resolution.

The report of the Committee on School Furniture is on pages 716 and 717 of the Journal.

Resolved, That the sum of twenty-four hundred and thirty-three dollars (\$2,433), be and the same is hereby appropriated from the fund derived from the sale of "School House Bonds" for "New Furniture, Parts I and II," required for the addition to the Grammar School Building No. 32, in the Twentieth Ward, but no part of said money to be paid until the School Trustees for the Twentieth Ward have filed the contract to be entered into by them with Messrs. A. H. Andrews & Co., for the work named, together with such security for the faithful performance of the same as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee; the usual requirements as to the form of the contract, and the payments to be made on account thereof to be complied with.

EUGENE KELLY,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
ISAAC BELL,		
DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		

Commissioner KELLY asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—16.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Commissioner WOOD offered the following :

Resolved, That it be referred to the counsel of this Board to so change the existing forms of contracts in use by this Board, as to prevent alterations in plans involving an expense greater than \$200.

Commissioner WETMORE moved to substitute the resolution found on page 526 of the Journal.

Which was adopted.

Commissioner DEVOE moved that said resolution be referred to a Joint Committee, composed of the Committees on By-Laws, &c., Buildings, Warming, and Ventilation, and School Furniture.

Which was adopted.

Commissioner SELIGMAN offered the following:

Resolved, That the Committee on Supplies be, and they hereby are authorized to advertise for proposals for printing required by this Board for the year 1886.

Adopted.

Commissioner SELIGMAN offered the following :

Resolved, That the matter of arranging for the delivery of supplies under the jurisdiction of this Board for the ensuing

year, and the cost thereof, be and the same is hereby referred to the Committee on Supplies, with power.

Adopted.

Commissioner SCHMITT offered the following :

Resolved, That the Normal College Committee be respectfully requested to ascertain and report to this Board regarding the students of the Normal College, as follows :

1. The number of students who claim to reside with guardians.

2. The number of such students who have parents living, and the residence of such parents.

3. The date of the appointments of said guardians, and the object of such appointments.

4. Any other matters that would tend to show whether or not any students are attending the College who are not entitled by law to attend.

Commissioner WOOD moved that said resolution be printed and laid over.

Which was adopted.

Commissioner SCHMITT offered the following :

Resolved, That a Special Committee of five be appointed to ascertain what changes, if any, should be made in the Consolidation Act in reference to the powers and duties of this Board, and to report to this Board at an executive session, on the first Wednesday in December, 1885.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the negative.

Commissioner WALLACE offered the following :

Resolved, That the salary of the late John Boyle, Principal of G. S. No. 74, for the months of September, October and November, 1881, be ordered to be audited and paid, notwithstanding any action that may have been taken in the matter by this Board on a former occasion.

Commissioner Wood moved that said resolution be printed in the minutes and laid over.

Which was adopted.

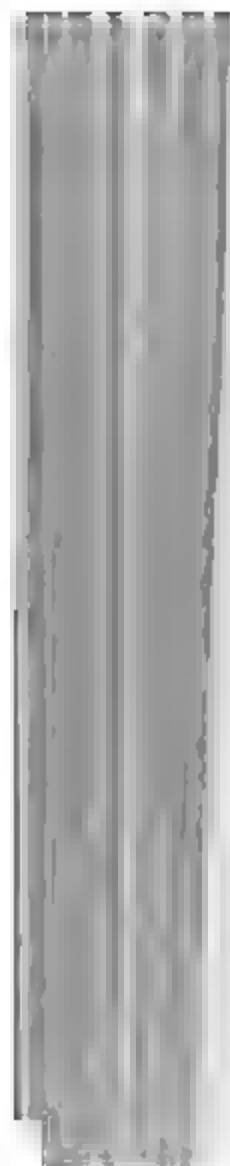
ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Commissioner KELLY—

The Board adjourned.

JOHN DAVENPORT,

Acting Clerk.



WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 1885.

STATED SESSION.

Present—STEPHEN A. WALKER, Esq., President, and Commissioners BELL, CRARY, CRAWFORD, DEVOE, GALLAWAY, HOLT, KELLY, PERKINS, POMEROY, SCHMITT, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, SIMMONS, TAMSEN, TRAUD, WALLACE, WELCH, WETMORE and WOOD—20.

Absent—Commissioner VERMILYE—1.

The PRESIDENT announced for consideration the minutes of the last session, and ordered the following amendments :

Amend page 748 as follows :

Strike out “Jr.” after the name of Trustee Alexander Patton, for the Sixth Ward, and insert “Sr.”

Strike out “Louis ” in the name of Trustee Goebel, for the Eleventh Ward, and insert “Lewis.”

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the session held on November 4, as printed in the Journal, and amended, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners BELL, CRARY, DEVOE, GALLAWAY, HOLT, KELLY, PERKINS, POMEROY, SCHMITT, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, SIMMONS, TAMSEN, TRAUD, WETMORE and WOOD—17.

COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Trustees of the Fifth, Eighth, Ninth, Twelfth,

Thirteenth, Seventeenth, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, asking to excuse the absence of teachers, &c.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power conferred by the by-laws.

From the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, recommending Wm. H. Townley for reappointment as Trustee for said Ward.

Referred to the Committee of the Whole.

From the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, making award of the contract for new steam boiler for G. S. No. 3, to John Neal & Co., for \$672.00, and asking for an appropriation of that amount for said purpose.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

From the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, asking that Joseph A. Edgerly be paid for services as Janitor of G. S. No. 16.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, asking for payment of bills of Mr. Guy Culgin, incurred in 1883, in violation of by-laws, &c.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking for authority to advertise proposals for furniture for addition to G. S. No. 43.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, to hire premises for a branch of P. D. G. S. No. 68, on West One Hundred and Twenty-fourth street, near Eighth avenue, for \$4,000 a year.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, nominating Miss Caroline L. Langbein for Principal of P. S. No. 22, vice Mrs. Emily M. Greenwood, deceased.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, asking for pur-

chase of a site corner of Second avenue and Seventh street, for \$122,250.

Referred to the Committee on Sites and New Schools.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, relative to the purchase of the premises adjoining Grammar School No. 18.

Referred to the Committee on Sites and New Schools.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-first Ward, asking for permission to employ a stenographer in the matter of P. S. No. 16, referred to them by the Board.

On motion of Commissioner SCHMITT, laid on the table.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, asking that Mrs. Mary Nehrbas be paid for services as Janitrix of Branch P. D. G. S. No. 61.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, asking that Miss H. M. Wilsey be paid for services in G. S. No. 62.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

CITY SUPERINTENDENT.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

The report of the City Superintendent for the month of October, 1885, as follows :

CITY SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, }
NEW YORK, Nov. 18, 1885. }

To the Honorable the Board of Education :

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to present the following report of the operations of the Superintendent's Department for the month of October last.

All the schools under the jurisdiction of the Children's Aid Society and of the Female Guardian Society, 33 in number, were visited and examined.

Of the 120 classes, 95 were reported *excellent* in instruction, 24 *good* and 1 *indifferent*.

In discipline, all but 17 were found to be *excellent*.

The State law in relation to sectarian instruction appears to be enforced.

The total register in these schools was 6,042 pupils, with an attendance of 4,961.

During the month examinations took place also in the following schools :

Grammar Schools Nos. 15, 22, 41, 45, 47, 53, 60 and 71, and Primary Schools Nos. 24 and 26, a total of 19 schools and 275 classes.

In character of instruction, 239 classes were reported *excellent* and 36 *good*.

Of the classes either examined or inspected, 273 were reported *excellent* in discipline, 14 *good* and 1 *indifferent*.

In management all the schools were found to be excellent.

The Evening Schools opened October 5th. During the month the City Superintendent and his Assistants visited them and made a careful inquiry into the registration, classification, discipline, etc.

The results show that, with few exceptions, the Evening Schools commenced the work of the term in a very satisfactory manner.

The average attendance for the month was 9,860, an increase of 907 over the corresponding month last year.

The number of teachers employed, including 27 principals, was 318.

The monthly returns of the Principals of the Grammar and the Primary Departments and Primary Schools show a total enrollment of 148,114 pupils on the thirty-first day of October, with an average daily attendance for the month of 137,304, an increase of 2,703 in register and 3,077 in attendance, when compared with the month of October, 1884.

The number of teachers employed during the month—including the principals—was 3,221, an increase of 53 over same month last year.

The absences of teachers during October amount to 2,170 days, an increase of 36, when compared with the corresponding period in 1884.

Appended to this report is a list of the classes in which the absenteeism of pupils was in excess of twenty per cent.

Very respectfully,

JOHN JASPER,
City Superintendent.

List of Teachers in whose Classes the absenteeism was in excess of twenty per cent. during the month of October, 1885.

School.		Teachers.	Per Cent.	School.		Teachers.	Per Cent
M. D.	9	M. E. Cosgrove.....	29	P. S.	36	M. A. Ducey.....	28
"	21	J. F. McFarland. ...	22	"	"	C. F. Cummings....	26
P. D.	50	M. E. Fanning.....	28	"	"	M. A. Coyle.....	26
P. S	36	C. L. Manning.....	26				

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

A communication from the City Superintendent relative to a violation of the by-laws by the Principals of Grammar School No. 19.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

FROM THE MAYOR.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the communication from His Honor Wm. R. Grace, Mayor, appointing Commissioners for the full term commencing January 1, 1886 :

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, November 18, 1885. }

HON. STEPHEN A. WALKER,
President of the Board of Education :

SIR—I am instructed by the Mayor to transmit herewith the

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appointment made by him this day, under and in pursuance of section 1022 of the Consolidation Act, of seven Commissioners of Education for a term of three years each, from January 1, 1886.

Respectfully,

WM. L. TURNER,
Secretary.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, *November 18, 1885.* }

I hereby certify, that under and in pursuance of chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882, I have this day appointed

CHARLES CRARY,	MILES M. O'BRIEN,
WILLIAM WOOD,	WILLIAM A. COLE,
EDWARD J. H. TAMSEN,	FERDINAND TRAUD,
and WILLIAM LUMMIS,	

as Commissioners of the Common Schools in the City of New York, for a term of three years each, from January 1, 1886, in the places of

FERDINAND TRAUD,	CHARLES CRARY,
EUGENE KELLY,	EUGENE H. POMEROY,
WILLIAM WOOD,	EDWARD J. H. TAMSEN,
and WILLIAM B. WALLACE,	

whose terms of office will then have expired.

W. R. GRACE,
Mayor.

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes.

From the Hon. WM. R. GRACE, Mayor, appointing Inspectors of Common Schools for the term commencing on January 1, 1886, as follows :

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
New York, Nov. 19, 1885. }

HON. STEPHEN A. WALKER,

President of the Board of Education :

SIR—By direction of the Mayor I beg to transmit herewith appointments made by him under date of the 18th instant, of

eight Inspectors of Schools in the City of New York, for a term of three years each, under and in pursuance of section 1024 of the Consolidation Act.

Respectfully,

WM. L. TURNER,
Secretary.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, }
New York, Nov. 18, 1885. }

I hereby certify that under and in pursuance of Chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882, I have this day appointed as Inspectors of Common Schools in the City of New York,

CHARLES P. KETTERER,	First District.
CHARLES STRAUSS,	Second “
JOHN JEROLOMAN,	Third “
BENJAMIN BLUMENTHAL,	Fourth “
A. McL. AGNEW,	Fifth “
JOHN MULLIGAN,	Sixth “
D. G. YUENGLING, Jr.,	Seventh “
ADAM FAHS,	Eighth “

For a term of three years each, from January 1, 1886, in the places of Charles P. Ketterer, F. B. Bennett, M. D., Charles A. L. Goldey, Benjamin Blumenthal, A. McL. Agnew, Geo. W. McAdam, D. G. Yuengling, Jr., and Franz Sigel, whose terms of office will then have expired.

WM. R. GRACE,
Mayor.

Received on November 19th, and printed as of date.

Ordered, That said communications be entered in full in the minutes.

COUNSEL TO THE BOARD.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communication from the Counsel to the Board, relative to technical education in schools under the care of the Board, as follows :

106 BROADWAY, }
Nov. 4, 1885. }

SIR—I have carefully considered the report of the Commit-

tee on By-Laws, &c., referred to me, recommending an amendment to the By-Laws, as follows :

“ §.— The City Superintendent shall select and designate three schools in which to introduce the subject of physical exercise, and that the Committee on Course of Study and School Books be authorized to furnish to said schools so selected, the necessary apparatus as recommended by the Turner Bund, at a cost not to exceed \$194 for each school, or as much of this amount as may be necessary ; also, that the Committee on Course of Study and School Books be authorized to employ an instructor at a salary not to exceed \$50 per month, to take charge of this special branch of instruction, for one year, under the direction of the City Superintendent as to time, &c., &c., and that statistics be kept by said City Superintendent, with reference thereto, and a report to be made of the result of the same at the end of that term.”

Under the general powers conferred upon the Board of Education, I see no objection to the adoption of such a by-law, except as to the appointment of an instructor to carry the same into effect.

This instructor must necessarily be an assistant teacher, and by express provision of the statute must, I think, be appointed by the Trustees of the Ward in which the school is located (§ 1035, Consolidation Act, Sub. 2, page 26 of the Manual of 1885).

Respectfully yours,

R. G. BEARDSLEE.

JOHN DAVENPORT, Esq.,
Acting Clerk.

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the bill of Frank Mitchell, for extra work under contract for alterations, &c., G. S. No. 31, \$1,707.32.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From Peter W. Felix, relative to taxes, &c., on property corner of One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street and Sixth avenue.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From H. W. Ellsworth, to place pens on the Supply List.
Referred to the Committee on Supplies.

From Principals of Female Grammar Schools, relative to the proposed system for the equalization of salaries.

Said communication was read, and on motion—

Ordered, That said communication be placed on file.

RESOLUTIONS TO BE REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Commissioner DEVOE offered the following :

Resolved, That the Committee on Buildings be and they hereby are authorized to procure the requisite frames for enclosing the printed directions formulated by the Fire Department, for the use of the apparatus connecting the school buildings with the Fire and Electric Alarms, and to have the same properly placed in these buildings ; the cost to be defrayed by the Incidental Expense Account of the Board.

Adopted.

REPORTS LAID OVER UNDER THE RULE.

The PRESIDENT announced for consideration so much of the report of the Committee on Teachers, relative to the consolidation of schools, pp. 449-454, 485, 510, as relates to the matters included in Resolutions 7, 8 and 9, Journal, pp. 453, 454. P. 677. P. 737.

Commissioner SCHMITT moved that said resolutions be laid on the table.

Which was adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, imposing a penalty on Miss Annie M. Hoffman, F. D.

G. S. No. 69, Journal, pp. 642-644. P. 680-683. P. 727. P. 737, 738.

Commissioner SIMMONS moved that the consideration of said report be laid over until the next meeting of the Board.

Which was lost.

Commissioner CRARY moved that it be laid over for four weeks, until the second stated meeting in December.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Bell, Crary, Devoe, Schmitt, Seligman, Simmons, Traud, Welch and Wetmore—9.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crawford, Galloway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schwab, Tamsen, Wallace and Wood—11.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Teachers, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crawford, Galloway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Seligman, Simmons, Welch and Wood—11.

Nays—Commissioners Bell, Crary, Devoe, Schmitt, Schwab, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace and Wetmore—9.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on By-Laws, &c., denying the application of the Janitors for an increase of salary in 1886, Journal, pp. 645, 646. P. 738.

On motion of Commissioner CRARY—

Laid over, and to retain its place on the schedule.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on By-Laws, &c., adverse to excusing the absence of teachers at the funeral of William O'Brien, Principal G. S. No. 19, Journal, pp. 742, 743.

Commissioner TAMSEN moved that the resolution offered by him, Journal, p. 674, be substituted for the resolution attached to the report of the Committee.

Which was adopted.

Commissioner TAMSEN moved to amend said resolution by inserting after the word " teachers " in the first line thereof the words " of Male Department of G. S. No. 19."

Which was adopted.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution offered by Commissioner TAMSEN, and amended, as a substitute for the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace and Welch—16.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Pomeroy, Wetmore and Wood—4.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on By-Laws, &c., submitting amendments to the by-laws, relative to the Course of Study, Journal, pp. 743, 744.

Commissioner TAMSEN moved that the report be recommitted, that the report may be made to conform with the action of the Board as recorded on page 678 of the Journal.

Which was lost.

Commissioner SCHMITT moved to strike out paragraph 4 (Journal, page 744), relative to Plane Geometry.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Devoe, Kelly, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman and Traud—7.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Simmons, Tamsen, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—13.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolutions attached to the report of the Committee (Journal, pp. 743-744), and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary,

Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—20.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on By-Laws, &c., submitting an amendment to the by-laws, relative to longevity pay to Primary Teachers, Journal, pp. 744, 745.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—19.

Nay—Commissioner Schmitt—1.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on By-Laws, &c., to suspend the by-laws in the case of several students in the Normal College, Journal, p. 746.

On motion of Commissioner CRARY—

Laid over, and to retain its place on the schedule.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, to excuse the absence of teachers, with full pay, Journal, page 746.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—20.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, adverse to the consolidation of P. S. No. 6, with P. D. G. S. No. 79, Journal, pp. 746, 747.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT called Commissioner CRAWFORD to the Chair.

The PRESIDENT asked and obtained unanimous consent for the presentation of the following :

Whereas, It is of the utmost importance that the School Trustees, upon whom devolve the appointments of all teachers under the grade of Vice-Principal, and by whom seven-eighths of the school moneys are distributed or expended, should be absolutely free and untrammelled in the exercise of their official duties ; and

Whereas, There is no reason why the same law that exists in reference to School Commissioners, to wit, that they shall hold no office of emolument under either the City, State or National Government, except the offices of Notary Public or Commissioners of Deeds, should not govern the action of this Board in its appointments of School Trustees ; therefore,

Resolved, That this Board will hereafter decline to appoint to the office of School Trustee any person holding a salaried office or position in or under any Department of the City, State, or National Governments.

Commissioner SCHMITT offered the following as a substitute for said resolution :

Resolved, That this Board petition the Legislature of this State to amend the Consolidation Act, so as to prevent the appointment or continuation in office of a Trustee who holds any other public office except that of Notary Public or Commissioner of Deeds.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would substitute the resolution of Commissioner SCHMITT for the resolution offered by the PRESIDENT, and it was decided in the negative.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board

would adopt the resolution offered by President WALKER, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schwab, Seligman, Traud, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—16.

Nays—Commissioners Schmitt, Simmons, Tamsen and Welch—4.

President WALKER moved that the Board go into Committee of the Whole, and sit in executive session (Manual, sec. 12, p. 73) for the consideration of the report of the Committee on Nomination of Trustees, submitting the recommendations of Trustees for the full term, commencing January 1, 1886, Journal, pp. 747, 748.

Which was adopted.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

The report of the Committee on Nomination of Trustees, recommending Trustees for all the Wards for the full term, commencing January 1, 1886, was considered, and the Chairman was instructed to report the action of the Committee to the Board.

IN THE BOARD.

The PRESIDENT in the Chair.

Commissioner CRAWFORD presented the report of the Committee of the Whole, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Committee of the Whole, having had under consideration the report of the Committee on Nomination of Trustees, have made some amendments thereto ; have directed me to report that fact to the Board, and recommend the adoption of the amended report.

The report, as amended, is as follows :

Resolved, That the following named persons, citizens of the United States, and residents of the Wards for which they

are to act, be, and they hereby are, appointed Trustees of Common Schools, as herein designated, to hold their respective offices for the term of five years from the first day of January eighteen hundred and eighty-six (1886). viz. :

WARD.	NAME.	RESIDENCE.	BUSINESS.
1..	Joseph H. Ford.....	7 Washington street.....	Clerk.
2..	James J. Dean.....	196 Water street.....	Lawyer.
3..	John P. Huggins.....	Cosmopolitan Hotel.....	Hotel proprietor.
4..	Michael J. Duffey.	439 Pearl street.....	Dry goods.
5..	Henry C. West.....	36 Hudson street.....	Baker.
6..	Alexander Patton, Sr.....	129 White street.....	Insurance.
7..	Wm. H. Townley.....	277 Henry street.....	Lawyer.
8..	Charles H. Housley.....	47 Macdougall street.....	Hatter.
9..	George B. Lawton.....	77 Jane street.....	R. E. Agent.
10..	Joseph Bellows.....	129 Allen street.....	Real estate.
11..	Lewis S. Goebel.....	235 Seventh street.....	Lawyer.
12..	Andrew L. Soulard.....	158th st. and Audubon Park..	Insurance.
13..	Frederick Germann.....	176 Clinton street.....	Furniture.
14..	Franklin Smith, M. D.....	184 Grand street.....	Physician.
15..	Edward Schell.....	53 Clinton place.....	Banker.
16..	Peter Macdonald.....	353 West 24th street.....	Real estate.
17..	Hiram Merritt.....	88 East 10th street.....	Real estate.
18..	Frederick Flaccus.....	327 E. 18th street.....	Stoves.
19..	Louis M. Hornthal.....	8 E. 74th street.....	Clothing.
20..	John H. Tietjen..	473 10th avenue.	No business.
21..	Cephas G. Thompson.....	185 Lexington avenue.....	Artist.
22..	Henry A. Rogers.....	347 West 57th street.....	Supplies.
23..	Frederick Folz.....	1395 Washington avenue....	No business.
24..	Louis Eickwort.	177th street, n. 4th avenue...	Druggist.

Said appointments being made by and in pursuance of the authority conferred upon this Board by the sixth section of the Act of March 21, 1873, as amended April 15, 1873, Act of Consolidation, section 1025.

Laid over under the rule.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Auditing Committee, recommending the payment of sundry bills, Journal, pp. 749-751.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would

adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—20.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Finance Committee, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the contract for heating apparatus for Grammar School No. 82, Journal, p. 751.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Buildings, adverse to hiring premises on Alexander avenue, near One Hundred and Fortieth street, for Branch P. D. G. S. No. 60, Journal, page 752.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Buildings, denying the application to pay Janitor of G. S. No. 31, \$40 for extra cleaning, Journal, p. 752.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Schwab, Seligman, Tamsen, Wetmore and Wood—10.

Nays—Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Perkins, Schmitt, Simmons and Wallace—7.

Commissioner TAMSEN moved that said vote be reconsidered.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, a majority not voting therefor, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Perkins, Schmitt, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud and Wallace—9.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Schwab, Seligman, Wetmore and Wood—9.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Buildings, denying the application of the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward to fit up premises on West Fiftieth street, Journal, pp. 753.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Buildings, to pay Thomas Falvey \$104.37 for extra work on his contract, G. S. No. 37, Journal, pp. 753, 754.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Finance Committee, in the matter of the application of Peter W. Felix, for payment of interest on purchase of site One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street and Sixth avenue, and taxes, Journal, pp. 754, 755.

On motion of Commissioner POMEROY, said report was recommitted.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner SIMMONS presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, relative to the equalization of salaries of teachers, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom were referred the several amendments to the by-laws proposed by Commissioner HOLT, and the report to this Board by the Committee on Teachers, on pages 685 to 711 of the Journal, as well as the resolution of Commissioner CRARY, with accompanying schedules, Journal, pages 665 to 673, respectfully report :

That they have carefully examined the amendments proposed, and have invited before them the several organizations of teachers interested in the subject, and given them a hearing upon two occasions.

Your Committee is of the opinion that the amendments pro-

posed by Commissioner HOLT and the Committee on Teachers are most beneficial to the teachers, are correct in principle, and of easy application. They will require, if adopted, an additional expenditure in salary account of nearly \$50,000, which will be equitably distributed among the great body of the teachers upon a fixed principle. Some personal losses by reason of the change from chaos to a logical plan must inevitably occur. Some increase of salaries, larger than may be deemed advisable, also occur. But these minor difficulties should be overlooked, as being sure to correct themselves in course of time in view of the general advantage of a consistent, uniform and permanent plan.

During the investigation made by this Committee, an improvement upon that portion of the scheme which was proposed and reported by the Committee on Teachers, as an amendment to Mr. HOLT's plan, was suggested by the Male Teachers' Association, and with but a slight amendment has met the favorable consideration of your Committee, and with the concurrence of the Teachers' Committee has been adopted by them. It appears in full in the first resolution hereinafter proposed.

In view of all the facts your Committee recommend to the Board the adoption of the following resolutions, being entirely satisfied that the plan proposed, although perhaps it is *not in all respects* perfect, nevertheless eliminates the chief objections to the present method of paying salaries, is most beneficial in its effects, is a great step forward, and is as nearly a perfect plan as can be devised with reference to the complex subject matter to which it relates.

1. *Resolved*, That the amendments to the by-laws proposed by Commissioner HOLT, as amended by the Committee on Teachers, found on pages 685 to 711 of the Journal, be amended, by amending that portion on page 707 of the Journal, commencing with the words: "2. Male Assistant Teachers," and down to and including the sentence: "Where two are employed, one each of the second and fourth class," so that the same shall read as follows:

“2. Male Assistant Teachers. The annual salaries of Male Assistant Teachers shall be of the following classes and amounts, viz. :

1st Class.....	\$2,016
2d “	1,728
3d “	1,656
4th “	1,476
5th “	1,332
6th “	1,260
7th “	1,080

Where five male assistants are employed there shall be allowed one salary each of the first, second, fourth, sixth, and seventh class.

Where four are employed, one each of the first, third, fourth and seventh class.

Where three are employed, one each of the second, fourth and sixth class.

Where two are employed, one each of the third and fifth class.

Where one is employed, one of the second class.”

2. *Resolved*, That the amendments to the by-laws reported by the Committee on Teachers, on pages 685 to 711 of the Journal, as amended by the foregoing resolution be and the same are hereby adopted, to take effect January 1, 1886.

Respectfully submitted,

J. EDWARD SIMMONS, EUGENE H. POMEROY, GILBERT H. CRAWFORD, FERDINAND TRAUD, For presentation, WILLIAM WOOD,	} Committee on By-Laws, &c.
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Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes, and laid over under the rule.

Commissioner DEVOE moved that said report, together with the report of the Committee on Teachers, and the communication presented this evening from the Principals of schools (p. 769), be printed as a document of the Board, for distribution.

Adopted.

Commissioner SIMMONS presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on School Furniture, recommending payment of bill of Baker, Pratt & Co., amounting to \$190.66, for furniture supplied Grammar School No. 78, in 1884, from the Buildings Contingent Fund of that year; recommending the adoption of the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on School Furniture, as found on page 716 of the Journal.

J. EDWARD SIMMONS,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, etc.</i>
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner WOOD presented a report from the Committee on Normal College; stating, that the Engineer of the Board has presented to them bills for improving the sanitary condition of the Normal College and Training Department Buildings, amounting in the aggregate to the sum of \$241.14, for the payment of which the Committee has no funds at its disposal.

Accompanying these bills is a communication from the Engineer, in which he states, that "During the month of June, 1885, at the request of the Normal College Committee, I made a careful sanitary inspection of the Normal College and Training Department, and found that the galvanized iron leaders which extended through the building, and the overflow pipes of the tanks, which were connected directly with the sewers, were in a condition dangerous to life and health, and recommended that the work be placed in proper sanitary order without delay. Also, the Janitor's water-closet frequently overflowed into the cellar from an obstructed sewer. This work was put in thorough sanitary order during the summer vacation, and I was under the impression that it could be paid for out of the fund appropriated by the Board for sanitary work in the schools, but have learned since the bills were presented that this fund cannot be applied to repairs made in the Normal College. The bills as rendered amount to \$241.14."

Inasmuch as this work was a necessity, the Committee ask that a special appropriation of the amount of money necessary for the payment of the bills be made, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the sum of two hundred and forty-one $\frac{14}{100}$ dollars (\$241.14) be, and the same is hereby appropriated in payment of the following named bills for sanitary improvements in the Normal College and Training Department buildings :

Thomas J. Twomey, Aug. 3, Normal College.....	\$15	26
“ “ 5, “	73	81
“ “ 10, “	42	13
“ “ 13, Training Department	48	75
“ “ 17, “	61	19
		<hr/>
	\$241	14

Said bills to be paid on the approval of the Engineer of the Board and Committee on Normal College.

WILLIAM WOOD, ISAAC BELL, G. SCHWAB, EUGENE KELLY, J. EDWARD SIMMONS,	} Committee on Normal College.
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Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner WELCH presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, to whom were referred applications from the Trustees of the Sixth and Eighth Wards, to purchase new pianos for Primary School No. 2, and Primary Department Grammar School No. 8, respectively ; stating, that the pianos in use in these schools are worn out, and cannot be repaired, except at a cost which it would not be expedient to incur. The Committee recommend that new instruments be purchased, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the Committee on School Furniture be, and they hereby are authorized to purchase new pianos for Primary School No. 2, and Primary Department Grammar School No. 8, at a cost not exceeding \$300 each, any old pianos to

be used in the discretion of the Committee in part payment. The bills for the same to be paid on the approval of the Committee on School Furniture.

W. J. WELCH,	}	<i>Committee on School Furniture</i>
EDWARD J. H. TAMSEN,		
H. B. PERKINS,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the application of Henry Levy, for use of a room in G. S. No. 75 ; stating, that Mr. Levy makes this application in behalf of the graduates of G. S. Nos. 42 and 75, for the use of a room in G. S. No. 75, by a society of graduates.

The building was erected for school purposes, and can be used for no other purpose.

The Committee recommend that the application be denied, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the application of Henry Levy, for the use of a room in G. S. No. 75, for a society of graduates, be and the same is hereby denied.

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
G. SCHWAB,		
DAVID WETMORE,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		

Commissioner DEVOE asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented a report from the Auditing Committee, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, asking for payment of the bill of Edward Humphrey, for furnishing packing boxes, packing furniture and supplies, and cartage and removing said furniture, &c., from Grammar School No. 31 to Grammar School No. 12,

and returning the same to Grammar School No. 31, amounting to \$99.70; stating, that these removals were required in consequence of certain alterations to be made during the summer vacation to Grammar School No. 31. The Trustees, therefore, to protect these school supplies and furniture, caused their removal as stated, and after the alterations were completed they were returned to Grammar School No. 31. The Trustees state that the charges of the bill are reasonable, and ask that it be paid.

The Committee recommend that the request be granted, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the application from the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, asking for the payment of the bill of Edward Humphrey for furnishing packing boxes, and for packing furniture and supplies and removing the same from Grammar School No. 31 to Grammar School No. 12, and returning them to Grammar School No. 31, amounting to ninety-nine $\frac{70}{100}$ dollars (\$99.70), be and the same is hereby approved for payment, the amount to be charged to the Incidental Fund of the Board of Education.

HENRY SCHMITT,	}	<i>Auditing Committee.</i>
DE WITT J. SELIGMAN,		
ISAAC BELL,		
H. B. PERKINS,		
W. B. WALLACE,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the application of the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, to pay Miss Winifred Connolly, Principal of Female Department Grammar School No. 18, and Mrs. Mary DeShays, Principal of Primary Department No. 18, the maximum salary; stating, that Miss Winifred Connolly was confirmed by the Board of Education on January 24, 1872, to take effect on date of commencement of service, December 1, 1871; the latter was confirmed for said position on the 27th day of December, 1871, to take effect on December 1, 1871.

On December 1, 1885, both Principals will have completed

their fourteen years of service, and the Committee recommend that the application be granted.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That Miss Winifred Connolly, Principal of Female Department Grammar School No. 18, be paid the maximum salary prescribed for Principals of Female Departments, in sec. 35, subdiv. 4, of the by-laws, and Mrs. Mary DeShays, Principal of Primary Department Grammar School No. 18, be paid the maximum salary prescribed for Principals of Primary Departments and Schools in the same section and subdivision of the by-laws. Both these Principals completing their fourteen years of service as Principals, on December 1, 1885, and the records of their respective Departments for the past five years being “excellent.”

DAVID WETMORE,
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,
EUGENE H. POMEROY,
EUGENE KELLY,
WILLIAM WOOD,

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*Committee
on
Teachers.*

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom were referred applications from the Trustees of several Wards, to excuse the absence of teachers, with full pay ; stating, that the cause of absence in each case reported herein is personal illness.

A statement is submitted, showing the record of each applicant for the past five years.

The Committee recommend that the absences be excused, with full pay, for the time stated in the column “time allowed,” in the following resolution, which is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the following-named teachers be excused for absence, and granted leave of absence, with full pay, for the “Time allowed” herein :

WARD.	School.	Name.	Time Allowed.	Years of Service.	Instruction.	Discipline.	No. Days Lost.	Exc. with full pay.
4th. P. S. 12.	Maria E. Sturgess.....	2 d. Oct.....	24	{	Management.		{	52
					Good....2 y.	Ex...3 y.		
F. D. 1.	Mary B. Haggerty.....	6 d. Sept....	15	{	Good....4 y.		{	76
					Ex.....1 y.	Ex.....		

WARD.	School.	Name.	Time Allowed.	Years of Service.	Instruction.	Discipline.	No. Days Lost.	Exc with full pay.
7th.	M. D. 12.	Mary Ankers.....	{ 4½ h. Sept... 3d. 1½ h. Oct. }	29	Good.....Ex.....		21	4 d.
	P. D. 12.	Maggie Mulvey.....	9 d. Oct.....	26	{ Fair....1 y. Good.1 y. Good...2 y. Ex....2 y. General Assistant.2 y. }		15	.....
10th.	P. D. 42.	S. Fannie Johnson.....	20 d.	9	Ex.....Ex....		40	6 d.
11th.	M. D. 15.	Mary A. Bellby.....	{ 3 mos. from Oct. 6, less 3 d..... }	21	{ Good...2 y..... Ex.....2 y..... Fair....1 y. Ex..... }		28	3 d.
	F. D. 36.	Jane A. Denton.....	{ 11 d. Sept.. 5 d. Oct..... }	22	Ex.....Ex.....		10	.....
	P. S. 31.	Hannah Cromer.....	20 d. Oct.....	7	Ex.....Ex.....		10	6 d.
12th.	M. D. 39.	Grace I. Roole.....	{ 2 d. Apl..... 2 d. May }	6	{ Good...4 y..... Ex.....1 y. Ex..... }		16	7 d.
	P. D. 43.	Kate C. Crowley....	2 d. Oct.....	10	Ex.....Ex.....		35	7½ d.
	M. D. 68.	Maria Jury.....	2 d. Oct.....	9	{ Good...2 y..... Ex.....3 y. Ex..... }		16	5½ d.
16th.	G. D. 45.	Annie E. Perine..	{ 11 d. Sept.... 20 d. Oct..... }	8	Ex.....Ex.....		9	.....
	P. D. 56.	Emily R. Grafton....	4 d. Oct.....	31	Ex.....Ex.....		19	10½ d.
	P. D. 56.	Sophie T. Ecker.....	15 d. Oct.....	17	General Assistant.....		13	9 d.
17th.	M. D. 19.	William O'Brien.....	8 d. Oct.....	25	Management Excellent..		40	9 d.
	F. D. 19.	Cordelia S. Kilmer..	4 d. Oct.....	19	Ex.....Ex.....		4	.....
	P. S. 9.	Eliz. C. Reynolds...	2 d. Oct.....	11	Good.....Good.....		32	9 d.
	P. D. 19.	Belle Gugenheim..	{ 12 d. April.... 19 d. May..... 15 d. June..... }	7	{ Good...1 y..... Ex. ....4 y. Ex..... }		26	.....
19th.	F. D. 18.	E. A. Pell.....	9½ d. Oct.....	12	Ex.....Ex.....		11	.....
	F. D. 53.	A. C. Kelly.....	23 d. Oct.....	13	Ex.....Ex.....		32	10 d.
	F. D. 53.	Joanna Stafford.....	4 d. Oct.....	10	{ Good...1 y..... Ex.....4 y. Ex..... }		193	59 d.
	P. D. 53.	S. A. Cowhey.....	6 d. Oct.....	13	{ Ex.....3 y..... Good...2 y. Ex..... }		103	57 d.
	P. S. 35.	Lucie Cain.....	11 d. Oct.....	5	Ex.....Ex.....		24	.....
	F. D. 77.	Alice McConville....	19½ d. Oct.....	7	{ Good...1 y..... Ex.....4 y. Ex..... }		17	.....
20th.	G. D. 26.	Cassie M. Caffry.....	3 d. Oct.....	15	{ Good...3 y..... Ex.....2 y. Ex..... }		25	.....
	G. S. 32.	Margaret T. Farrell..	20 d. Oct.....	17	{ Good...1 y. Ex..... Fair....1 y..... Ex.....3 y..... }		24	10 d.
	P. D. 33.	Irene M. Gahagan..	20 d. Oct.....	28	Good.....Good.....		18	11 d.
	P. D. 33.	Dorothea Dixcn.....	4 d. Oct.....	30	{Good...3 y Good.....Ex.....2 y }		94	.....
22d.	F. D. 9.	Martha M. Asten....	10 d. Oct.....	16	{ Good...1 y..... Ex.....4 y. Ex..... }		71	19 d.
	F. D. 17.	Anna M. Robinson..	2 d. Oct.....	8	Ex.....Ex.....		78	53 d.
	P. D. 28.	Mary E. McManus...	3 d. Oct.....	24	{ Good...3 y..... Ex.....2 y. Ex..... }		3	.....
	P. D. 67.	Catharine Gass.....	20 d. Oct.....	11	{ Good...1 y..... Ex.....4 y..... }		55	21 d.

DAVID WETMORE,
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,
EUGENE H. POMEROY,
EUGENE KELLY,
WILLIAM WOOD,

} Committee
on
Teachers.

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the application of the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, to pay Miss Emilie Wellner \$150 per annum for special services as Teacher of Drawing in G. S. No. 48, in addition to her compensation as a regular teacher ; stating, that it was the intention of the Board, when enacting the by-laws amending sec. 39 (see Manual, page 119), giving the Committee on Teachers power to decide whether a special teacher should be appointed to fill a vacancy, or whether the duties of the position should be performed by a regular teacher, to gradually dispense with the services of special teachers, and have the duty performed by a regular teacher without extra compensation, and consequently no additional compensation was provided for such teacher.

In view of these facts, your Committee recommend that the application be denied, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the application of the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, to pay Miss Emilie Wellner \$150 per annum for special services as teacher of Drawing in Grammar School No. 48, in addition to her compensation as a regular teacher be, and the same is hereby denied.

DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
EUGENE KELLY,		
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		

Commissioner WETMORE asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom were referred on May 6th (Journal, p. 276), the nomination by the Trustees of the Sixth Ward of Miss Mary T. Lawler for Principal of Primary School No. 8, *vice* Mrs. Anna C. McHugh, deceased ; stating, that at the last

meeting of this Board a resolution was adopted "That it is the opinion of this Board that Primary School No. 48 should be discontinued, and the School be reorganized as a branch to Primary School No. 47, whenever the position of Principal therein becomes vacant by transfer or otherwise" (Journal, p. 735).

By transferring Mrs. Fannie A. Smith, Principal of P. S. No. 48, to the vacant position in P. S. No. 8, this school can be discontinued, and reorganized as a branch to P. S. No. 47.

The Committee recommend that such action be taken, and submit the following resolutions for adoption :

Resolved, That in accordance with the provisions of sec. 1027, subdivision 3, of N. Y. City Consolidation Act, Mrs. Fannie A. Smith be, and she hereby is appointed Principal of Primary School No. 8, in the Sixth Ward, to date from the commencement of service subsequent to the passage of this resolution.

Resolved, That Primary School No. 48, in the Twenty-fourth Ward, be discontinued, and the school be reorganized as a Branch to Primary School No. 47, in the same ward.

DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Committee</i>
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
EUGENE KELLY,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		
		<i>on</i>
		<i>Teachers.</i>

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, to pay the salary of the late William O'Brien, from the date of his death, October 17, to November 1 ; stating, that Mr. O'Brien died on October 17, and his salary has been paid to that date.

In no case has this Board allowed the salary of a teacher to be continued after death, and the Committee therefore recommend that the application be denied, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the application of the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward to pay the salary of Wm. O'Brien from the date of his death, October 17, to November 1, be and the same is hereby denied.

DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		
EUGENE KELLY,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		

Commissioner WETMORE asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Fourth Ward to pay Miss Catharine M. Fitz Gibbon, Principal of Primary Department Grammar School No. 1, the maximum salary; stating, that Miss Fitz Gibbon was Principal of Female Department of G. S. No. 26 from January, 1862, to September, 1864, two years and eight months—the date of the discontinuance of said school.

Miss Fitz Gibbon was nominated by the Board of Trustees of the Fourth Ward for the position of Principal of Primary Department Grammar School No. 1, on the 4th day of March, 1874, and confirmed by the Board of Education for said position April 1, 1874, to take effect on said date.

The requirements of the by-laws having been complied with, the Committee recommend that Miss Fitz Gibbon be paid the salary prescribed for Principals of fourteen years' service in Primary Departments and Schools, and submit the following resolution for adoption:

Resolved, That Miss Catharine M. Fitz Gibbon, Principal of Primary Department Grammar School No. 1, in the Fourth Ward, be paid the salary prescribed for Principals of Primary Departments and Schools, in sec. 35, subdiv. 4, of the

by-laws, she having completed her fourteen years of service as Principal, and the record of her department for the past five years being "excellent."

DAVID WETMORE, GILBERT H. CRAWFORD, EUGENE H. POMEROY, WILLIAM WOOD, EUGENE KELLY,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
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Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the resolution of Commissioner TAMSEN (Journal, p. 411), relative to the transfer of certain pupils now attending Primary School No. 16; stating, that so far as class-room capacity is concerned, Grammar School No. 49 cannot accommodate any of said pupils; that the Male Department of No. 49 is now teaching three classes in the main room, and the Female Department two; and that any increase in the number of such classes, or any increase in the number of pupils attending such classes, as they now exist, would not be advisable.

In Grammar School No. 14 there is no class-room capacity available for the proposed transfer. In each Grammar Department, however, the main room is unoccupied, and classes might there be formed in numbers sufficient to enable the transfer to be made.

Should this be done, no saving will be effected. On the contrary, an increased expenditure must be incurred for teachers' salaries; for the Trustees will be obliged to pay two teachers of boys of a Grammar Grade, and three teachers of girls of a Grammar Grade—a total expenditure of at least \$3,775 per annum. Inasmuch as the pupils under consideration are now taught at a cost of \$2,400 per annum, there will be, instead of any saving, an increased expenditure of \$1,375 a year.

The transfer can be made; but, as the pupils are now nearly half way through their respective grades, and as the organization of the schools would be seriously disturbed were action to be taken now, the Committee are of opinion that it would be

inexpedient to do anything in the matter at the present time, and they offer for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee on Teachers be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution in relation to the transfer of the Grammar Grade pupils in Primary School No. 16 to Grammar Departments Nos. 14 and 49.

DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
EUGENE KELLY,		
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		

Laid over under the rule.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Commissioner TAMSEN offered the following :

Resolved, That in case of the death of a Principal in any department of our schools, such department shall be closed on the day of the funeral, without detriment to the salaries of the teachers and janitor thereof, and that the by-laws be amended accordingly.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

Commissioner CRARY offered the following :

Resolved, That the by-laws of the Board of Education be, and the same are hereby amended as follows :

Insert the following paragraph at the end of sub. 4 of sec. 28 (page 91 of Manual), viz.:

“ In the case of the re-examination of any teacher upon the written request of any two inspectors of the district, or three Trustees of the Ward in which the teacher is employed, as directed by sub. 2 of sec. 1040 (Laws of 1882 page 33 of Manual), the re-examination shall be confined to the subjects required to be taught by the class teacher

in the grade of which the teacher is then in charge, together with "Principals and Methods of Teaching."

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

Commissioner SCHMITT moved that the resolution relative to an inquiry in the matter of guardianship of students in the Normal College, found on page 758 of the Journal, be taken from the table.

Said motion being under consideration—

Commissioner CRAWFORD moved that the Board adjourn.

ADJOURNMENT.

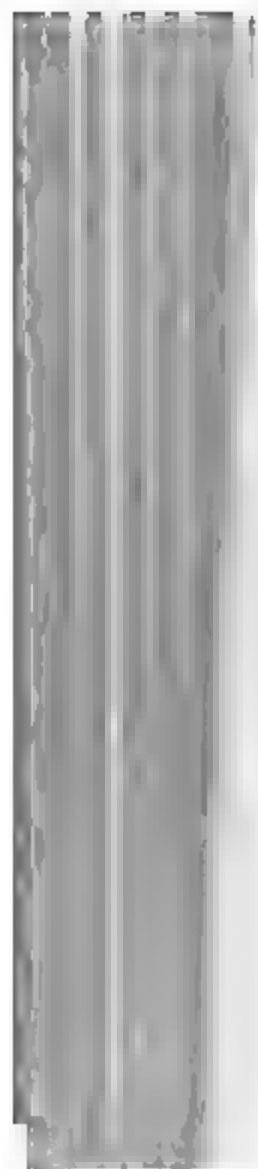
The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crawford, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schwab, Simmons, Traud and Wood—9.

Nays—Commissioners Bell, Crary, Schmitt, Seligman, Wallace, Welch and Wetmore—7.

JOHN DAVENPORT,

Acting Clerk.



WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 1885.

STATED SESSION.

Present—STEPHEN A. WALKER, Esq., President, and Commissioners BELL, CRARY, CRAWFORD, DEVOE, GALLAWAY, HOLT, KELLY, PERKINS, POMEROY, SCHMITT, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, SIMMONS, TAMSEN, TRAUD, VERMILYE, WALLACE, WELCH, WETMORE and WOOD—21.

The PRESIDENT announced for consideration the minutes of the session held on November 18th.

Commissioner POMEROY moved that page 779 be amended by striking out of the fifteenth line from the top of the page the word "fourth," and inserting "fifth."

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the session held on November 18, as printed in the Journal, and amended, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners BELL, CRARY, GALLAWAY, HOLT, PERKINS, POMEROY, SELIGMAN, SIMMONS, TAMSEN, TRAUD, VERMILYE, WELCH, WETMORE and WOOD—15.

COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications:

From the Trustees of the First, Second, Third, Sixth, Tenth, Eleventh, Twelfth, Thirteenth, Fifteenth, Seventeenth, Eighteenth, Nineteenth, Twentieth, Twenty-first, Twenty-second,

Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, asking to excuse the absence of teachers, &c.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power conferred by the by-laws.

From the Trustees of the First, Eighth, Tenth, Eleventh, Thirteenth, Fourteenth, Twentieth and Twenty-second Wards, transmitting and approving the petitions of Janitors for an increase of salary.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, to rehire No. 626 Washington street, from December 1, 1885, to March 1, 1886, for P. S. No. 7.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, asking for authority to fit up and furnish a room for the Trustees in Grammar School building No. 3.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, making award of the contracts for furniture and heating apparatus for P. S. No. 7, as follows:

To Charles J. Gillis and Stephen J. Geohegan, for heating apparatus, \$3,995.

For furniture, Part I, to A. H. Andrews & Co., for \$1,590.

For furniture work, Part II, to A. H. Andrews & Co., for the sum of \$2,975.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Tenth Ward, nominating Josephine E. Rogers, for Principal of Primary Department of Grammar School No. 75.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, for authority to fit up the playground of G. S. No. 78 for class-room purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, for authority to hire premises on Pleasant avenue, for G. S. No. 78.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking for payment of bill for excavating rock on the site corner of Lexington avenue and Ninety-sixth street, amount, \$1,559.01.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, to pay bills for professional services by Dr. W. H. Ross and Dr. C. G. Davis, in cases of pupils in P. D. G. S. No. 68, and P. D. G. S. No. 78, respectively.

Referred to the Auditing Committee.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, for authority to hire premises on One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street for a Primary School.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, asking for the purchase of a school site, and submitting proposed sites for school purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Sites and New Schools.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, nominating Miss Mary S. Cunningham for Principal of P. S. No. 6.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking for payment of the bill of Mr. Eugene Odell, for taking care of Grammar School No. 82.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-first Ward, transmitting papers relating to the complaint of Miss Kate A. Fitzgibbon

against Miss Sarah J. J. McCaffery, Principal of P. S. No. 16, and referring said matter to the Board.

On motion of Commissioner Wood—

Ordered, That said communication be placed on file.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, asking for authority to rehire premises for Branch Grammar Department No. 60.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, asking that the Janitor of Branch of G. S. No. 60 be paid \$442 per year.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, asking for authority to hire premises corner of Brook avenue and One Hundred and Forty-first street for Branch of P. D. G. S. No. 60.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, asking for authority to rehire premises occupied by P. S. No. 33 for Branch P. S. No. 44.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, withdrawing a former application, and asking that P. S. No. 48 be made a Branch of P. S. No. 47.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

INSPECTORS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from Jacob Fleischhauer, stating his reasons for declining to sign certain pay-rolls for salaries of Teachers.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

CITY SUPERINTENDENT.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the report of the City Superintendent on the operations of the Truancy Department for the month of November, as follows :

CITY SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, }
New York, December 2, 1885. }

To the Honorable the Board of Education :

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to submit the following report of the transactions of the Truancy Department for the month of November last :

The whole number of cases investigated and closed was 770. Of this number 190 reported as truants, and 58 as non-attendants, were placed in school.

Appended will be found a detailed statement of the month's work.

Very respectfully,
JOHN JASPER,
City Superintendent.

SCHEDULE.

Total number of visits made.....	1,404
To homes	953
To schools.....	403
To stores and factories ..	48
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Total..	1,404
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Total number of cases investigated and closed.....	770
Children kept at home by parents....	191
“ “ “ sickness.....	126
“ “ “ poverty.....	14
“ physically disqualified.....	3
“ transferred from one school to another....	25
“ under 8 and over 14 years of age.....	22
“ withdrawn from school	{ left the city.... 4 gone to work... 24
“ whose residence could not be found.....	
“ found to be truants and returned to school..	190
“ found to be truants and committed to Reformatory Institutions by parents through agents.....	4

Children found to be non-attendants and] placed in school	58
Total	770

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from the Counsel to the Corporation, relative to the site corner One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street and Sixth avenue, as follows :

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION, }
NEW YORK, Dec. 2, 1885.

L. D. KIERNAN, Esq.,

Clerk, Board of Education :

SIR—The Board of Education having heretofore appropriated the sum of \$39,000 for the purchase of six lots of ground situated at the northwest corner of One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street and Sixth avenue, I have examined the title to the same. Such examination being completed, I was informed that the owner would not complete the sale for the stipulated price, but wanted interest on the purchase price. And I understand that this application for increased compensation is now under consideration by the Board.

As the end of the fiscal year is drawing near, and as with the new year the membership of the Board will be somewhat changed, I have deemed it proper to call the attention of the Board to the amount of the expenses paid and incurred in the matter, that provision may be made by the present Board for the payment of the same.

I enclose an itemized bill of such expenses, which amounts in the whole to \$219.10.

Respectfully yours,

E. HENRY LACOMBE,

Counsel to the Corporation.

Disbursements made in examining title to six lots on the northwesterly corner of Sixth avenue and One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street :

Register's search.....	\$50 00
Loan Commissioner's search.....	4 00
do do do	25
County Clerk's do	101 70
U. S. Circuit Court do	1 35
do do	60
U. S. District Clerk's do	1 50
do do	60
Receiver's Bonds do	2 00
Tax do	24 00
Survey	20 00
Searching for papers, County Clerk's office...	60
Copies of papers and engrossing.....	12 50
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	\$219 10

Referred to the Auditing Committee.

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From Hon. C. M. Clancy, resigning his office as Trustee of Common Schools for the Fourteenth Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Nomination of Trustees.

From the Primary Teachers' Association, asking that the Board consider length of service in readjusting the salaries of Primary Teachers.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, &c.

From the Teachers' Association, submitting objections to the proposed schedules of salaries.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, &c.

RESOLUTIONS TO BE REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Commissioner POMEROY offered the following :

Resolved, That the teacher and janitor of Primary School No. 33 (reorganized as branch of Primary School No. 44) be retained in their respective positions at their present annual salaries until January 1st, 1886.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—19.

Commissioner SCHWAB offered the following :

Resolved, That the Committee on Warming and Ventilation be, and they hereby are authorized to employ Mr. Maurice Bause as an assistant draughtsman for a period of two months, at a rate of wages not exceeding fifteen dollars (\$15) per week, to prepare plans, drawing, &c., for the engineer of the Board, said wages to be paid from the appropriation for incidental expenses of the Board of Education. Adopted.

Commissioner SCHMITT offered the following :

Resolved, That the Principals of all schools under control of this Board report to the City Superintendent on or before January 20, 1886, the number of pupils in their respective schools, who do not reside at their parents' domicile, and the number of pupils whose parents are not actual residents of the City of New York.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab,

Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traul, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—19.

Commissioner WALLACE moved that the rules be suspended, in order to take up the resolution relative to the late John Boyle, Principal of G. S. No. 74, found on page 758 of the Journal, as follows :

“ *Resolved*, That the salary of the late John Boyle, Principal of G. S. No. 74, for the months of September, October and November, 1881, be ordered to be audited and paid, notwithstanding any action that may have been taken in the matter by this Board on a former occasion.”

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—20.

Commissioner WALLACE moved the adoption of the resolution.

Commissioner SCHMITT moved that said resolution be referred to the Finance Committee, with directions to confer with the Counsel to the Board, as to the legality of any action of the Board upon the matter, in case the payment should be ordered, and report at the next meeting of the Board.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crary, Perkins, Schmitt, Seligman, Wallace, Welch and Wood—7.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Schwab, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Vermilye and Wetmore—13.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would

adopt the resolution offered by Commissioner WALLACE, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Bell, Crary, Perkins, Wallace, Welch and Wood—6.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Vermilye and Wetmore—14.

Commissioner SCHMITT asked to be excused from voting, which was denied.

REPORTS LAID OVER UNDER THE RULE.

The PRESIDENT announced for consideration the report of the Committee on By-Laws, &c., denying the application of the Janitors for an increase of salary in 1886, Journal, pp. 645, 646. P. 738. P. 770.

On motion of Commissioner SIMMONS, said report was recommended.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on By-Laws, &c., to suspend the by-laws in the case of several students in the Normal College, Journal, p. 746. P. 772.

On motion of Commissioner TRAUD, said report was laid on the table.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee of the Whole on Nomination of Trustees, submitting the recommendation of Trustees for the full term, commencing January 1, 1886, Journal, pp. 774, 775.

Commissioner SELIGMAN moved that a vote be taken on the nominations for the first six Wards.

Carried.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt so much of the resolution attached to the report of the Committee of the Whole as relates to the First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Wards, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary,

Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—21.

Commissioner TAMSEN moved that a vote be taken on the nominations for the Seventh and following Wards, down to and including the Seventeenth Ward.

Carried.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt so much of the resolution attached to the report of the Committee of the Whole as relates to the Seventh, Eighth, Ninth, Tenth, Eleventh, Twelfth, Thirteenth, Fourteenth, Fifteenth, Sixteenth and Seventeenth Wards, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—21.

Commissioner VERMILYE moved that a vote be taken on the nomination for the Eighteenth Ward.

Carried.

Commissioner VERMILYE moved that the name of Frederick Flaccus be stricken out and the name of Andrew Warner substituted therefor.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would amend by substituting the name of Andrew Warner for that of Frederick Flaccus, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crawford, Holt, Schmitt, Vermilye, Wallace, Wetmore and Wood—7.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Devoe, Gallaway, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud and Welch—13.

Commissioner KELLY asked to be and was excused from voting.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would

adopt so much of the resolution attached to the report of the Committee of the Whole as relates to the appointment of a Trustee for the Eighteenth Ward, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—21.

Commissioner TAMSEN moved that the vote be taken on the nominations of the remaining Wards, from the Nineteenth to the Twenty-fourth, inclusive.

Commissioner SELIGMAN moved to amend the motion of Commissioner TAMSEN by excepting the Nineteenth Ward.

Which was lost.

Commissioner WALLACE moved to amend the motion of Commissioner Tamsen by excepting the Twenty-third Ward.

Which was carried.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner TAMSEN, as amended, and it was decided in the negative.

Commissioner SCHMITT moved that the report of the Committee as to the nomination for the Nineteenth Ward be considered separately.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—16.

Nays—Commissioners Bell, Devoe, Pomeroy, Traud and Vermilye—5.

Commissioner SELIGMAN moved that the name of Theodore M. Lilienthal, residence No. 78 East 56th street, be substituted for that of Louis M. Hornthal.

The PRESIDENT decided that said motion was out of order, no such amendment to the report having been offered in Committee of the Whole.

Commissioner SCHMITT appealed from the decision of the Chair.

The PRESIDENT put the question, "Shall the decision of the Chair stand as the judgment of the Board?" and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schwab, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—18.

Nays—Commissioners Crary, Schmitt and Seligman—3.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt so much of the resolution attached to the report of the Committee as relates to the appointment of Louis M. Hornthal for Trustee of the Nineteenth Ward, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Pomeroy, Tamsen, Traud, Vermilye and Wetmore—11.

Nays—Commissioners Bell, Crary, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Wallace, Welch and Wood—10.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt so much of the resolution attached to the report of the Committee of the Whole as relates to the Twentieth, Twenty-first, Twenty-second and Twenty-fourth Wards, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—21.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt so much of the resolution attached to the report of the Committee of the Whole as relates to the ap-

pointment of Frederick Folz for Trustee of the Twenty-third Ward, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Vermilye, Welch and Wetmore—17.

Nays—Commissioners Kelly, Wallace and Wood—3.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, submitting amendments to the report of the Committee on Teachers (Journal, pp. 685-711), and recommending the adoption of sundry amendments to the by-laws relative to the salaries of teachers, Journal, pp. 777-779.

In connection with said report—

Commissioner TAMSEN presented a communication from the Female Grammar School Teachers' Association, which was read by the Clerk and referred to the Committee on By-Laws, &c.

Said report being under consideration, Commissioner CRAWFORD moved that it be laid on the table.

Which was adopted.

Upon unanimous request of the Board, on the ground of alleged errors in the tally, the PRESIDENT permitted a second call of the roll upon the question whether the Board would adopt so much of the resolution attached to the report of the Committee of the Whole as relates to the appointment of Louis M. Hornthal as Trustee for the Nineteenth Ward, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Tamsen, Traud, Vermilye and Wetmore—10.

Nays—Commissioners Bell, Crary, Kelly, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Wallace, Welch, and Wood—11.

Commissioner SELIGMAN moved that Theodore M. Lilienthal be appointed Trustee of Common Schools for the Nineteenth Ward.

Commissioner CRAWFORD moved that said nomination be referred to the Committee on Nomination of Trustees.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crawford, Tamsen and Traud—3.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Vermilye, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—18.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner SELIGMAN, that Theodore M. Lilienthal be appointed Trustee for the Nineteenth Ward, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Bell, Crary, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Wallace, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—16.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crawford, Pomeroy and Vermilye—4.

Commissioner POMEROY moved that the report of the Committee on By-Laws, submitting amendments to the by-laws relative to the salaries of teachers, be taken from the table.

Which was adopted.

The PRESIDENT called Commissioner POMEROY to the Chair.

Commissioner TAMSEN moved that the report of the Committee on By-Laws be laid over to the next meeting, and retain its place on the schedule.

Which was lost.

Commissioner WOOD moved that when the Board adjourns, it adjourn to Wednesday, the 9th instant, and that the report on salaries be the special order for that evening.

Adopted.

Commissioner CRAWFORD offered the following as an amendment to said report :

Amend by striking out paragraph 9, sec. 35, subdiv. 3 (Journal of Oct. 21, p. 710), and substituting in place thereof:

“Where less than twelve and more than five are employed, there shall be deducted one salary of each of the highest and lowest of the evenly-numbered classes alternately, beginning with the lowest, until the required number is reached.

“Where less than six are employed, there shall be allowed one salary of each alternate class, beginning in each school with the class next below the highest class allowed in a school of the next larger size, and proceeding until the required number is reached.”

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Commissioner SIMMONS—

The Board adjourned.

JOHN DAVENPORT,
Acting Clerk.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 1885.

ADJOURNED SESSION.

Present—STEPHEN A. WALKER, Esq., President, and Commissioners BELL, CRARY, CRAWFORD, DEVOE, GALLAWAY, HOLT, KELLY, PERKINS, POMEROY, SCHMITT, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, TRAUD, WELCH, WETMORE and WOOD—17.

Absent—Commissioners SIMMONS, TAMSEN, VERMILYE and WALLACE—4.

On motion, Commissioners TAMSEN and VERMILYE were excused for absence from this meeting of the Board.

The PRESIDENT announced for consideration the minutes of the session held on December 2d.

Commissioner SCHMITT moved to amend the minutes, by inserting several words omitted from the resolution offered by him, page 800, so that said resolution shall read as follows: “*Resolved*, That the Principals of all schools under control of this Board report to the City Superintendent, on or before January 20, 1886, the number of pupils in their respective schools who do not reside at their parents’ domicile, and the number of pupils whose parents are not actual residents of the City of New York, and that the City Superintendent report to this Board the number so reported from each school.”

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the session held on December 2d, as printed in the Journal, and amended, and it was decided in the affirmative as follows:

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners CRARY, CRAWFORD, DEVOE, GALLAWAY, HOLT, KELLY, PERKINS, POMEROY, SCHMITT, SCHWAB, TRAUD, WELCH, WETMORE and WOOD—15.

COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Trustees of the Eighth, Twelfth, Fourteenth and Sixteenth Wards, to excuse the absence of teachers, &c.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power conferred by the by-laws.

From the Trustees of the First Ward, relative to the longevity pay-roll.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, for the purchase of two pianos for G. S. No. 82.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, asking that \$22.05 be transferred from the allowance to G. S. No. 64, to the account of P. S. No. 45.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, approving the plan of salaries proposed by Commissioner HOLT.

Ordered, That said communication be placed on file.

FROM THE MAYOR.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from the Mayor, appointing Dr. Geo. F. Jackson Inspector for the Seventh District, as follows :

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, Dec. 4, 1885. }

HON. STEPHEN A. WALKER,

President of the Board of Education:

SIR—By direction of the Mayor, I beg to notify your Board of the appointment this date of Dr. Geo. F. Jackson as Inspec-

tor of Common Schools for the Seventh District of the City of New York, for three years from January 1, 1886, in place of David G. Yuengling, Jr., recently appointed and resigned.

Respectfully,

WM. L. TURNER,
Secretary.

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes.

FROM THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from the Corporation Counsel, relative to the site at Spuyten Duyvil, as follows :

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION, }
NEW YORK, *Dec. 5, 1885.*

LAWRENCE D. KIERNAN, Esq.,

Clerk of the Board of Education :

SIR—The Board of Education, having by resolutions adopted April 16, 1884, and November 5, 1884, authorized the purchase of certain lands at Spuyten Duyvil for school purposes for the sum of \$3,915.75, and authorized the Comptroller to pay said sum on the presentation to him of the deed for the said premises, together with the certificate of the Counsel to the Corporation that the title to the premises is satisfactory and free from all incumbrances, and is vested in the Mayor, &c., of the City of New York,

I have examined the title to the said premises and caused official searches to be made ; and from such examination and searches I am of opinion that, except as is hereinafter stated, the title to said premises is vested in Albert E. Putnam, and that the premises are free from all incumbrances, except the taxes for the year 1885, amounting to \$72.

The exception to which I have above referred arises as follows :

In November, 1856, Elias Johnson, David B. Cox, John C.

Cameron, and James C. Sidney were owners, as tenants in common, of a large tract of land at Spuyten Duyvil, of which tract the premises in question are a small part. James C. Sidney's share or interest was an undivided one-sixteenth ($\frac{1}{16}$.) There is no doubt that by deed dated the 6th day of that month, and recorded in the Westchester County Register's office, December 13, 1856, Sidney conveyed his whole undivided interest to Johnson and Cox, two of his co-tenants. But the acknowledgment of the deed (as appears from the record), is so defective, that the Register ought not to have admitted the deed to record and the record could not be admitted in evidence in any dispute as to the title of the property. If the original deed could be found, perhaps it might be proved by the subscribing witness and duly recorded. But the original deed itself cannot be found. Mr. Isaac G. Johnson, who succeeded to the interest of Mr. Elias Johnson, writes to me that he has searched for that deed in vain.

The interest of Elias Johnson afterwards became vested in Isaac G. Johnson; and he and David B. Cox and John C. Cameron, his co-tenants, agreed to a partition of the whole premises among themselves according to their respective rights and interests, and on or about August 23, 1865, they executed a partition deed which was duly recorded September 23d, 1865, by which deed the partition was carried into effect, and each of these three co-tenants took his share of the whole premises in severalty. The premises in question are part of a parcel which was set off, on such partition, to said John C. Cameron.

Cameron conveyed a parcel of the land so set off to him to Alexander S. Diven; Diven conveyed the same premises to Thomas H. Edsall by deed dated October 31st, 1866, and recorded November 22, 1866; and Edsall conveyed a parcel of the same lands, including the premises in question, to Mr. Putnam by deed dated December 11, 1880, and recorded the 14th day of the same month.

So far as I can learn, an exclusive legal possession of the whole premises or of the portion thereof set off to John C. Cameron, by the enclosing of the same with a substantial fence

or in any other manner, cannot be proved to have existed prior to Mr. Edsall's purchase in October, 1866. He informs me that shortly after the purchase by him he enclosed the premises with a substantial fence, which was maintained until Mr. Putnam bought, when he built a new one which is still standing.

The rule of law is, that the possession of one tenant in common is presumed to be the possession of all. Where one or more tenants in common have possession of the premises, it is presumed that they hold for all their co-tenants; and nothing but an actual ouster of a co-tenant will rebut this presumption. There must be an actual ouster by some open and notorious act brought to the knowledge of the co-tenant so ousted, or of which it must be inferred he had notice. What amounts to such ouster—what facts will authorize a jury to find that there was such ouster and notice, has been decided in several cases. It has been decided that the refusal of one or more co-tenants, in actual possession, to share with another or other co-tenants, the rents and profits of the common property—the enclosing of a particular portion of the land by one to the exclusion of others—the possession of the whole piece by one, claiming sole title thereto, for thirty-six years—the partitioning of the whole premises among two or more to the exclusion of other co-tenants, by proceedings in the Courts, are all acts from which a jury may properly find that there was an ouster and notice thereof to the co-tenant so ousted. I have not, however, found any case where it has been held that the partition of the whole premises among a part of the co-tenants to the exclusion of others, not by proceedings in Court, but solely pursuant to agreement among themselves, by deed duly recorded and map properly filed, would authorize a jury to find that there was an actual ouster of the co-tenants so excluded, and notice thereof to them.

The matter in hand then stands thus. In 1856 Messrs. Johnson, Cameron, Cox and Sidney were owners as tenants in common of a large tract of land (about 70 acres), Mr. Sidney owning an undivided one-sixteenth interest therein. There is

no doubt that in the fall of that year Mr. Sidney conveyed his interest to Messrs. Cox and Johnson. But it cannot be proved—neither the record of the deed of such conveyance, nor a certified copy thereof, could be admitted in evidence, and the original deed cannot be found. I am informed that after the partition by and between Johnson, Cox and Cameron, in 1865, the different portions set off to each of said co-tenants were not enclosed in fence. And the partition was by the private act of the parties, not by an open, public and notorious act, like a proceeding in Court. And the lots in question were not fenced until about November, 1866—nineteen years ago—when Mr. Edsall purchased them and other property.

If, then, Mr. Sidney or his heirs should commence a suit or proceeding to recover his interest in the lots which the Board of Education desires to buy, they might cause the city considerable trouble. The Sidney interest in the lots would amount to only about \$244, and the Statute of Limitations will have run against the claim so as to bar it in about one year. Mr. Putnam maintains that this objection does not really amount to anything, and says that as he will give a warranty deed the city will be perfectly safe in taking the title. But as the Board authorizes the acceptance of the deed and the payment of the purchase price only on the certificate of the Counsel to the Corporation that the title is satisfactory, I have endeavored to get a release or quit claim of this interest.

I find that Mr. Sidney died in Philadelphia in the year 1881. His wife died in 1883. Three children survive, viz. : a son, Charles Sidney, residing in Jersey City ; a daughter, residing in Pennsylvania ; and another son, who has not been heard from by his brother or sister in two or three years. The last heard from him he was in Oregon, very sick. I have communicated with Mr. Charles Sidney and his sister and asked them if they would give a release or quit claim of all interest they may have in the premises, so as to make the record title perfect so far as is now possible. And on the 1st inst. I received a letter from Mr. Sidney, in which he says that he and his sister will give a quit claim deed of the lots in question “providing they are so

“ advised by counsel, and that they are allowed one hundred
“ and seventy-five dollars by either the city or Mr. Putnam for
“ expenses.” This, of course, covers only the interest of this
brother and sister, and the interest of the other brother ($\frac{1}{3}$ of $\frac{1}{18}$)
will still remain outstanding.

I therefore bring the matter to the attention of the Board,
and await its further instruction.

Respectfully,

E. HENRY LACOMBE,

Counsel to the Corporation.

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full in the
minutes.

Referred to the Committee on Sites and New Schools.

FROM THE CLERK.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from
John Davenport, Acting Clerk of the Board, relative to the
issuing of a certificate of election as Trustee, applied for by
Louis M. Hornthal of the Nineteenth Ward, as follows :

To the Honorable the Board of Education :

GENTLEMEN—Mr. Louis M. Hornthal, residence No. 8 East
Seventy-fourth street, has applied to me for a certificate of
appointment to the office of Trustee of Common Schools for
the Nineteenth Ward.

It has not been customary for the Clerk to give any formal
certificate of appointment to the office of a Trustee ; and it
would seem that he could only certify to the proceedings of the
Board as found in the minutes.

The statute (sec. 1050, p. 36), however, provides that every
person appointed to a school office shall, before entering upon
his duties, and within fifteen days from the time of being
notified of his appointment, take and subscribe before the
Clerk the oath of office prescribed by the Constitution of the
State ; and it has been customary for the Clerk to give this

notice to persons who have been appointed Trustees. In view of the action of the Board at the last meeting, in relation to the appointment of a Trustee for the Nineteenth Ward (pages 805, 806 and 807), and of the request made by Mr. Hornthal, I feel compelled to ask your Honorable Board to instruct me as to my duty in the premises.

Very respectfully,

JOHN DAVENPORT,

Acting Clerk.

Dec. 9th, 1885.

Referred to the Counsel to the Board, with the request that he report before the next meeting of the Board.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From H. P. Beach, asking that several articles be added to the list of supplies submitted by their proposals.

Referred to the Committee on Supplies.

From John C. Welch, asking that the "Census Calendar of the United States" be added to the list of supplies.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From Commissioner Wood, asking that Mrs. Catharine Gass, G. S. No. 67, deceased, be allowed the longevity pay.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From Commissioner Wood, relative to longevity pay of Mrs. Harriet E. Goldsmith, P. S. No. 1, and Miss Margaret E. Guy, G. S. No. 75.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From N. J. De Galles, relative to his methods of teaching languages and drawing, &c.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From thirteen hundred and fifty-seven Principals and Teachers, approving Commissioner HOLT's plan for the equalization of salaries.

Ordered, That said memorial be placed on file.

From Female Teachers, relative to the new scale of salaries, as affects those teachers whose salaries will be reduced.

Ordered, That said communication be placed on file.

RESOLUTIONS TO BE REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Commissioner WOOD moved that a Committee be appointed to represent the Board at the sessions of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment while the estimates for the school moneys for 1886 are under consideration.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT appointed Commissioners WOOD, DEVOE, BELL, TAMSEN and SCHMITT, as said Committee.

REPORTS LAID OVER UNDER THE RULE.

The PRESIDENT announced as the special order of business, the report of the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, submitting amendments to the report of the Committee on Teachers (Journal, pp. 685-711), and recommending the adoption of sundry amendments to the by-laws relative to salaries of teachers, Journal, pp. 777-779, 806, 807.

Commissioner POMEROY moved that the report be amended in accordance with the amendment offered by Commissioner CRAWFORD, Journal, p. 710, and asked for the reading of the report of the Committee on By-laws thereon.

The report of the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications was read by the clerk as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the amendment to the report of the Committee on Teachers, amending the By-Laws relative to salaries of teachers, presented by Commissioner Crawford, and found on page 808 of the Journal, respectfully report that they have given the subject due consideration, and concluded that the proposed plan for paying salaries of Primary teachers would be much improved by incorporating therein the amendment of Commissioner Crawford. •

Commissioner Holt was present at the meeting on which the proposed amendment was discussed, and concurs in the decision arrived at by your Committee.

The Committee recommend the adoption of the amendment, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the report of the Committee on Teachers, regulating the salaries of primary teachers, be amended as follows : Strike out paragraph 9, sec. 35, division 3 (Journal, page 710), and substitute in place thereof the following, viz. :
 “ Where less than twelve and more than five are employed, there shall be deducted one salary of each of the highest and lowest of the evenly-numbered classes alternately, beginning with the lowest, until the required number is reached.

“ Where less than six are employed, there shall be allowed one salary of each alternate class, beginning in each school with the class next below the highest class allowed in a school of the next larger size, and proceeding until the required number is reached.”

GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	} Committee on By-Laws, etc.
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	
WILLIAM WOOD,	

Commissioner POMEROY then moved that the resolution found on page 779 be amended by inserting in the fourth line, after the words “ as amended by the foregoing resolution,” the words

“and as further amended by the resolution and report of the Committee on By-Laws, presented on this day.”

Which was adopted.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolutions attached to the report of the Committee on By-Laws, &c., pp. 778, 779, as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Schwab, Seligman, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—12.

Nays—Commissioners Crary, Perkins, Schmitt and Traud—4.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, recommending payment of the bill of Baker, Pratt & Co., for \$190.66, for furniture supplied G. S. No. 78, in 1884, Journal, p. 780.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on School Furniture, Journal, p. 716, in connection with this report of the Committee on By-Laws, &c., and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Traud, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—15.

Commissioner SCHMITT moved that the Board do now adjourn. Which was lost.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on School Furniture, recommending the purchase of pianos for P. S. No. 2, and P. D. G. S. No. 8, Journal, pp. 781, 782.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Auditing Committee, approving the payment of the bill of Edward Humphrey for removing supplies, &c., and returning the same, for G. S. No. 31, amounting to \$99.70, Journal, pp. 782, 783.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would

adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—14.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, to pay the maximum salary for fourteen years' service, to Miss Winifred Connolly, Principal F. G. G. S. No. 18, and Mrs. Mary De Shays, Principal P. D. G. S. No. 18, Journal, pp. 783, 784.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—14.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, to excuse the absence of teachers, with full pay, Journal, pp. 784, 785.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—14.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, appointing Mrs. Fannie A. Smith as Principal of P. S. No. 8, and to discontinue P. S. No. 48, and reorganize said school as a branch of P. S. No. 47, Journal, pp. 786, 787.

On motion of Commissioner SCHMITT, laid over, and to retain its place on the schedule.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, to pay Miss Catharine M. Fitzgibbon, Principal of P. D. G. S. No. 1, the maximum salary, Journal, pp. 788, 789.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—12.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the matter of transferring Grammar Grade pupils from P. S. No. 16 to Grammar Schools Nos. 14 and 49, Journal, pp. 789, 790.

On motion of Commissioner CRAWFORD—

Laid over, and to retain its place on schedule.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the bill of Frank Mitchell, for extra work done under his contract for altering, &c., G. S. No. 31, in the Seventh Ward, amounting to \$1,707.32 ; stating, that the work represented by this bill was necessary to be performed, and done by agreement with the Trustees of the Ward, and the Superintendent of School Buildings, under the provisions of the contract. The charges are reasonable and as agreed upon.

The building is a very old one, was very much in need of a general overhauling ; so much so, that it was considered a hopeless task to make it as a building should be, to be used for school purposes. The alterations and repairs that have been made, have so improved the house in respect to arrangement, convenience and appearance, that Trustees and teachers have expressed themselves as being highly pleased and satisfied with the building, its furniture and fixtures.

The work was done during the summer vacation, and had to be done in haste so that the school might be opened early in September. The contract amounted to \$13,311, and the bill for extra work, \$1,707.32, making a total of \$15,018.32. The

work represented in the bill for extra work may be divided as follows :

1. The old drains were found to be of earthen ware, and badly broken ; new iron pipes were put in at a cost of.....	\$214 75
2. Changes in the construction of the yard water closets, inclosing with brick instead of wood (required by Fire Department), cost.....	582 26
3. Three wardrobes in main rooms and in Principal's room, and two new doors ; cost.....	129 88
4. Entire new sets of speaking tubes and gongs, including casings, &c.; cost.....	278 95
5. New steps and risers on main stairs ; cost....	136 70
6. Repairing and hanging blinds ; cost... ..	59 80
7. Filling stove-pipe holes and replastering ; cost.	39 78
8. Hand pump on third floor ; cost.....	25 00
9. Painting and Graining one-third of total, and signs ; cost.....	225 20
10. Iron work, altering west gate ; cost.....	15 00
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	\$1,707 32

Each and every item of the above was necessary to put the house in proper order, and no work or materials have been charged as extra, that was included in the specifications.

The Committee recommend that the bill be paid, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the sum of one thousand seven hundred and seven $\frac{32}{100}$ dollars (\$1,707.32) be, and the same is hereby appropriated in payment of the bill of Frank Mitchell, for extra work done under his contract with the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, for altering, &c., Grammar School building No. 31. The bill to be paid in accordance with the rules of this Board governing payments.

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
DAVID WETMORE,		
G. SCHWAB,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, to pay Mrs. Mary Nebrbas for services as Janitrix, in taking care of the Branch of Grammar School No. 61; stating, that the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, on September 14, engaged Mrs. Nebrbas to perform the duties of Janitrix in this Branch, recently hired, at a salary of \$20 a calendar month.

The Trustees were justifiable in making this appointment, for the reason that some one had to be employed to clean, light the fires, and take general charge of the premises.

The Committee recommend that Mrs. Nebrbas be paid for services rendered to date, at the rate of \$20 per month, and that the Trustees be authorized to continue her services at the same rate of compensation.

Resolved, That Mrs. Mary Nebrbas be paid for services rendered as Janitrix of Branch of Grammar School No. 61, from September 14, 1885, at a rate of compensation of \$20 a calendar month, and that the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to continue the employment of a Janitor for this branch building at the same rate of compensation.

F. W. DEVOE,	} Committee
DAVID WETMORE,	
G. SCHWAB,	
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	
R. M. GALLAWAY,	
	on
	Buildings.

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, to pay Mr. Joseph A. Edgerly \$23.70 for services as acting Janitor of G. S. No. 16, from the date of the death of the Janitor, Nov. 4th to Nov. 12th; stating, that Mr. Edgerly performed the duties of Janitor, as stated in the Trustees' application, from Nov. 4th to 12th (9 days), and on Nov. 13 was regularly appointed Janitor, and subsequently licensed for the position.

The amount of the bill is in accordance with the salary fixed by section 61 of the by-laws, and the Committee recommend that it be paid.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That Mr. Joseph A. Edgerly be paid the sum of twenty-three $\frac{70}{100}$ dollars (\$23.70), for services as acting Janitor of G. S. No. 16, from the date of the death of the Janitor, Nov. 4th to Nov. 12th, both inclusive, from the appropriation for salaries of Janitors.

F. W. DEVOE,	} Committee on Buildings.
DAVID WETMORE,	
G. SCHWAB,	
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	
R. M. GALLAWAY,	}

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, relative to the cable across Harlem River; stating, that on September 16th, the Committee asked for an appropriation of \$350 to place a submarine cable across Harlem River, at Second avenue. This figure was based on an estimate that about 650 lineal feet of cable would be required. This sum was appropriated Oct. 7th. The work has since been completed, and the certificate of the Superintendent of the Fire Alarm Telegraph of the Fire Department certifies that 850 lineal feet of cable had been laid, requiring an expenditure of \$425, or an increased appropriation of \$75.

The Committee respectfully request that the additional sum of \$75 be appropriated, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That an additional sum of seventy-five dollars (\$75) be, and the same is hereby appropriated to enable the Committee on Buildings to complete the contract entered into by it with Pearce & Jones, for laying a submarine cable across Harlem River, at Second avenue.

F. W. DEVOE,	} Committee on Buildings.
DAVID WETMORE,	
G. SCHWAB,	
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	
R. M. GALLAWAY,	}

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings ; stating, that the balance of the portion of the Buildings Contingent Fund, under the control of the Committee, is not sufficient to meet all demands that will be made upon it during the remainder of the year, and they therefore ask for an additional appropriation of \$1,000, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That an additional appropriation of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) be, and the same is hereby made to the portion of the Buildings Contingent Fund authorized to be expended by the Committee on Buildings under the provisions of section 53, subdivision 1, of the by-laws.

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
DAVID WETMORE,		
G. SCHWAB,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, submitting a statement of the condition of the Buildings Contingent Fund, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Committee on Buildings, in compliance with section 53, subdivision 2, of the by-laws, respectfully submit herewith a statement of the condition of their portion of the Buildings Contingent Fund, together with a list of repairs and expenditures authorized to December 1, 1885.

Respectfully submitted,

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
DAVID WETMORE,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
G. SCHWAB,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		

December 2, 1885.

STATEMENT.

Portion of Fund to be expended under direction of Committee.....\$19,300 0

Expenditures.

Expended per last report..... \$2,894 29

Expended since last report.

WARD. SCHOOL.

3.	P. S. 37.	Flooring, &c	\$50 00
4.	P. S. 12.	Kalsomine, paint, &c.	70 00
5.	P. S. 11.	Repair floors, doors, &c.	47 21
	P. S. 11.	Kalsomine, paint, &c.....	45 24
6.	P. S. 2.	Fill up vault.....	19 96
	P. S. 2.	Kalsomining	25 00
	P. S. 2.	Repairing gate, plumbing	56 38
	P. S. 8.	Relay flagging	20 00
	P. S. 8.	Kalsomining	20 00
	G. S. 24.	Closet for male visitors, &c.....	44 03
7.	G. S. 2.	Alter boys' closet, &c.....	147 01
	G. S. 2.	Alter doors, stairs, &c.....	199 80
	G. S. 12.	Screens, kalsomine.....	63 72
	P. S. 36.	Paint front doors, gas fixtures...	74 23
8.	G. S. 8.	Whitewashing.....	25 00
	G. S. 36.	Gas fixtures	39 49
	G. S. 38.	Whitewashing.....	30 00
	P. S. 25.	Plastering.....	9 50
	P. S. 25.	Whitewashing	30 00
	P. S. 25.	Repair closet in girls' yard	48 00
10.	G. S. 75.	Repairs, &c.....	104 36
11.	G. S. 14.	Repair iron rail in front.....	10 50
	G. S. 15.	Flagging, coping, &c	46 14
	G. S. 15.	Rods, &c., to closets.....	25 00
	G. S. 22.	Flagging in yard... ..	105 08
	P. S. 3.	Kalsomining.....	75 00
	P. S. 3.	Painting.....	200 00
12.	G. S. 54.	Alter store room.....	98 36
	G. S. 6.	Repairs, &c.....	115 59
	G. S. 46.	Repair walks and fences... ..	34 97
	G. S. 57.	Flooring, leaders, wood steps...	54 94
	G. S. 68.	Flagging, painting, repairing rail, outside blinds painted, reset copings.....	198 24
	{ Branch G. S. 78. }	Repair sheds, walks, &c.....	49 74
	P. S. 42.	Repair flooring, kalsomining, &c.	84 82

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	P. D. 88.	Fence, change sewer, &c.....	\$155 68
	P. D. 88.	Constructing temporary closets..	199 91
	G. S. 68.	Protecting property.....	41 12
13.	G. S. 4.	Paint, kalsomine, doors, &c.....	199 96
	P. S. 10.	Repair blinds, plaster, &c.....	40 00
	G. S. 34.	Wardrobes F and P. D.....	155 00
	G. S. 4.	Preparing four rooms for desks.	74 00
	P. S. 20.	Sewer pipes.....	33 30
14.	G. S. 21.	Pump.....	200 00
	G. S. 30.	Flooring.....	128 28
	G. S. 21.	Tank.....	160 00
	G. S. 30.	Painting main room and class rooms.....	45 04
	G. S. 30.	Repairs to water closet.....	68 50
	G. S. 5.	Paint, &c., side walls of nine rooms.....	66 00
16.	G. S. 11.	Secure chimney, &c.....	148 45
17.	P. S. 22.	Water closet for Trustees' room..	168 04
	P. S. 22.	Flagging, paint, kalsomine, &c..	96 37
	G. S. 19.	Repairs to closets.....	200 00
	G. S. 13.	Flagging.....	81 35
18.	P. S. 4.	Repairs, &c.....	189 72
	P. S. 29.	Repair rail, coping, &c.....	57 20
	G. S. 40.	Paint stairway.....	48 80
19.	G. S. 27.	Iron leader.....	20 80
	G. S. 27.	Hand rail.....	18 90
	G. S. 27.	Wire over openings.....	37 23
	G. S. 78.	Paint stair case, &c.....	125 28
	G. S. 59.	Paint and kalsomine.....	200 00
	P. S. 35.	" ".....	200 00
20.	G. S. 32.	Water closet for male teachers..	198 92
	G. S. 33.	Repairs, &c.....	119 63
	G. S. 48.	Flagging.....	44 96
	P. S. 27.	Flooring; head boards, &c.....	192 45
21.	G. S. 49.	New passage in gallery; new floor in passage P. D.....	95 00
	G. S. 49.	Kalsomine grain closets; plas- ter; repair brick-work.....	84 07
	P. S. 16.	Paint closet; sheds; whitewash.	95 05
	G. S. 14.	Paint iron stairs.....	84 25
22.	G. S. 69.	Slate floor in P. D. closet.....	36 25
	G. S. 23.	Raise floor in Janitor's room; plaster; paint.....	154 86

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	G. S. 67.	Sheds; weather strips; hydrant; curtain.....	\$199 45
	G. S. 9.	Repairs, &c.....	141 78
	G. S. 17.	Repairs; new sashes; paint.....	192 97
	G. S. 69.	Repairs; flooring; wardrobe, &c.	180 50
	G. S. 80.	Repairs, &c.....	40 23
23.	{ Branch G. D. 60. }	{ Kalsomine; clean floors, &c....	101 75
	P. D. 60.	Repair; plaster; hand rail; slate urinals.....	199 04
	G. S. 62.	Repair plaster; remove wainscot	189 08
24.	G. S. 63.	Paint sashes.....	57 00
	G. S. 63.	Clean vaults.....	38 00
	G. S. 64.	Paint fences.....	200 00
	G. S. 65.	Kalsomine.....	63 00
	G. S. 65.	New steps.....	44 65
	G. S. 65.	Board fence, south side.....	29 28
	G. S. 65.	Clean closet and cistern.....	40 00
	G. S. 65.	Clean vault.....	23 60
	G. S. 66.	Paint four rooms.....	55 50
	P. S. 46.	Paint; kalsomine, &c....	128 95
	P. S. 46.	Clean vault.....	30 00
			<hr/> \$8,271 16
Total expenditure.....			<hr/> \$11,165 4

Authorized Expenditures—Bills not Rendered.

1.	G. S. 29.	10 gongs.....	\$40 00
	G. S. 29.	Overhaul drainage, &c.....	200 00
2.	P. S. 34.	Paint, &c.....	30 00
6.	P. S. 8.	Take out partition.....	30 00
	P. S. 8.	Repair gallery.....	10 00
	P. S. 8.	Flooring.....	15 00
	P. S. 8.	Paint wood-work in yards.....	40 00
	G. S. 23.	Painting walls.....	100 00
	G. S. 23.	Windows and doors.....	60 00
	G. S. 23.	New windows; kalsomine, &c..	100 00
	P. S. 8.	Repair doors in cellar.....	30 00
	G. S. 23.	Ladder and doorway; new cellar door.....	62 00
	G. S. 24.	Repair roof of shed.....	78 00
	G. S. 23.	Point up crack in front.....	15 00
	G. S. 23.	Coal bins.....	60 00
	P. S. 2.	" ".....	35 00

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7.	G. S. 2.	4 chandeliers	\$44 20
	G. S. 12.	Planks on fence posts ; flagging.	35 00
8.	G. S. 8.	Flooring P. D	20 00
	G. S. 38.	Repair roof of closet, &c.....	15 00
	G. S. 38.	Repair ceiling on front stairs ...	60 00
	G. S. 38.	Gong for P. D.....	5 00
	P. S. 25.	Repair wood-shed, leader, &c...	15 00
	P. S. 25.	Repair sidewalks, &c	30 00
	G. S. 38.	" " "	75 00
9.	P. S. 13.	Repair handrails; reset floor in closet.....	65 00
	P. S. 18.	Repair; kalsomine; gong, &c...	75 00
	G. S. 41.	Reset pavement.....	65 00
10.	G. S. 7.	Repair roof.....	150 00
	G. S. 7.	Opening from cellar to walk....	30 00
11.	G. S. 15.	Partition in fourth story.....	40 00
	P. S. 31.	Kalsomining	20 00
	G. S. 15.	Flagging.....	48 00
	P. S. 3.	Hydrant	15 00
	G. S. 71.	Paint roof and cornices.....	100 00
11.	P. S. 31.	Repair stairway.....	\$25 00
12.	G. S. 52.	Repair, paint, kalsomine, &c....	125 00
	G. S. 68.	Shelving in closet.....	40 00
Branch GS	78.	Repair chimneys.....	25 00
	G. S. 68.	Repair iron steps.....	100 00
	P. S. 32.	Connect with Croton main.....	75 00
	G. S. 78.	Remove sheds, &c.....	50 00
	G. S. 78.	Doors at hallway, third floor...	50 00
	P. D. 83.	Protect south wall.....	50 00
13.	P. S. 20.	Sewer pipes	80 87
14.	G. S. 30.	Rebuild N. and S. walls.....	200 00
15.	G. S. 10.	Repairs, &c....	100 00
16.	G. S. 11.	Carpenter work after steam filter.....	200 00
	G. S. 45.	Repair chimney, coping, &c....	75 00
	G. S. 81.	Paint roof.....	69 00
17.	G. S. 19.	Gas fixtures.....	200 00
	P. S. 22.	Renovate Janitor's rooms, &c...	200 00
	P. S. 22.	Hoist for coal and wood, flagging.....	50 00
19.	G. S. 27.	Flagging.....	55 00
	G. S. 70.	Repairs—wardrobes, &c.....	120 00
	G. S. 27.	Replace yard wall, &c.....	25 00
	G. S. 18.	Enclose upper landing east, iron stairs.....	75 00

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	G. S. 18	Kalsomine ceilings, main room, third floor.....	\$85 00
	G. S. 53.	Remove wainscot.....	100 00
	G. S. 59.	Repair roof.....	46 00
20.	G. S. 33.	New doors in playground.....	100 00
	G. S. 32.	Opening in walks in cellar.....	40 00
	P. S. 27.	Alter sliding doors	200 00
21.	P. S. 16.	Flagging — Rebuild walls of closet.....	105 00
22.	G. S. 51.	General repairs.....	200 00
	G. S. 58.	Repair girls' water closet, P. D.	80 00
	G. S. 28.	Flagging	25 00
	G. S. 28.	Shore up and underpin closets..	150 00
	G. S. 80.	Secure balcony, &c.....	15 00
24.	G. S. 66.	Repair and paint fences, &c.— make vault water tight.....	81 00
	P. S. 46.	Repair pump and sink ; new roof over shed ; repair stone wall ; clean cistern.....	45 00
	P. S. 47.	Vent pipes ; repair walk ; new floor ; ease sliding doors, &c..	90 00
	G. S. 65.	Paint ; kalsomine ; new leaders, repair roof, &c.....	150 00

\$5,264 07

Authorized expenditures await receipt of bills :

Paint roofs 31 buildings.	}	Estimated \$2,500
6th Ward, P. S. 2, move two partitions.		
7th " G. S. 12, new ceiling one room.		
9th " P. S 18, new platform in closets.		
14th " G. S. 21, shore up rear wing.		
19th " G. S. 59, paint outside back room.		

Total expended and authorized.....	\$18,929 52
Balance unappropriated.....	270 48

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Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

Commissioner SELIGMAN presented a report from the Committee on Supplies, relative to the award of the contract for printing for the Board for the year 1886 ; stating, that in pursuance of the resolution of the Board, adopted November 4th, page 757 of the Journal, they caused an advertisement to be inserted in the *City Record* for the period of two weeks. In response to which four proposals were received.

Upon consideration of said proposals, it appearing that the lowest responsible bid was that of De Leeuw, Oppenheimer & Myers, it was decided that a conditional award of contract, to be submitted to the Board for approval, be made.

The Committee submit the following resolution for adoption :
Resolved, That the contract for printing required by this Board, during the year 1886 be, and the same is hereby awarded to De Leeuw, Oppenheimer & Myers, at the price named in their proposal, a copy of which is hereto annexed.

DE WITT J. SELIGMAN,
CHAS. L. HOLT,
DAVID WETMORE,

} Committee
on
Supplies.

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner SIMMONS presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, &c., to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, for the payment of the following named bills of Guy Culgin, for repairs, &c., done in 1883 :

G. S. No. 15, July 15th. Repairs, sashes and blinds ...	\$13 70
P. S. No. 3, July 25th. Aug. 1. Altering platform and partition	63 10
P. S. No. 31, July 22, August 1. General repairs.....	119 01
	<hr/> \$195 81

Stating, that the Trustees of the Ward appeared before the Committee, and stated that the work represented by these bills was necessary, and as they had sufficient money to the credit of the incidental fund of the schools in the Ward, but no money to the credit of schools in which the work was performed, they thought they were justified in incurring the expense.

The work was done in good faith, and as there is a balance to the credit of the Incidental Fund of the Schools in the Eleventh Ward, for 1883, of \$280, the Committee recommend that the by-laws be suspended, and the bills paid from this unexpended balance.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the following named bills incurred by the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward in 1883, be paid from the unexpended balance of the incidental fund to the credit of the Ward in that year :

Guy Culgin, July 15, G. S. 15. Repairing sashes and blinds.....	\$13 70
Guy Culgin, July 15, Aug. 1, P. S. 3. Altering plat-forms and partitions.....	63 10
Guy Culgin, July 22, Aug. 1, P. S. 31. General re-pairs	119 01
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	\$195 81

And that all by-laws or parts of by-laws inconsistent here-with be suspended for the purposes of this resolution.

EUGENE H. POMEROY, GILBERT H. CRAWFORD, FERDINAND TRAUD, WILLIAM WOOD,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, &c.</i>
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Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner BELL presented a report from the Finance Committee, submitting a resolution for ascertaining the average attendance of pupils for the several schools during the past year, by which average the number of teachers to be employed, and the salaries of the Principals and Vice-Principals are to be determined for 1886.

The number of school days for the year 1885 was (199) one hundred and ninety-nine.

Resolved, That the salaries to be paid to the Principals and Vice-Principals in the several Grammar and Primary Schools, per sec. 35 of the by-laws ; and the number of assistant teachers to be employed in said schools respectively, per sec. 33 of the by-laws, for the year eighteen hundred and eighty-six (1886), be based upon the average attendance of said schools for the year eighteen hundred and eighty-five (1885), as ascertained by adding together the whole number of children present each morning and

afternoon session, and dividing the total by three hundred and ninety-eight (398), or in case of schools temporarily closed during the year for repairs, or any other purpose, *by authority of the Board of Education*, by the actual number of sessions held.

J. D. VERMILYE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
ISAAC BELL,		
DE WITT J. SELIGMAN,		
EUGENE KELLY,		

Commissioner TRAUD asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner BELL presented a resolution for the transfer of balances to a general account for adjustment, etc., submitted by the Finance Committee, as follows :

Resolved, That the debit and credit balances of all appropriations authorized this year for current purposes, be transferred to a general account for adjustment; and that the credit balances of the special appropriations, not required for the purposes for which they were assigned, be transferred to the credit of the fund from whence they were made; the balances of said general and special accounts to be applied to the payment of claims incurred, or that may be incurred this year by authority of this Board.

J. D. VERMILYE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
ISAAC BELL,		
DE WITT J. SELIGMAN,		
EUGENE KELLY,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner BELL presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the second communication from Peter W. Felix, in relation to his claim for interest growing out of the alleged delay on the part of the Corporation

Counsel in the examination and passing of the title to the lots on One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street and Sixth avenue, purchased by the Board, and to whom was recommitted their report upon this subject, presented to the Board on the 4th ult., per Journal, pages 754, 755; stating, that Mr. Felix has been heard by counsel in advocacy of his claim, and full explanations as to the difficulties, legal and otherwise, which the condition of the title presented for adjustment, were made to your Committee by the Counsel to the Board. On full consideration of the whole matter, for the second time, the Committee adhere to their former recommendation that the taxes for 1885 be paid by the Board, but that the payment of the interest claimed be denied.

The resolution to this effect is on pp. 754, 755 of the Journal.

J. D. VERMILYE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
EUGENE KELLY,		
ISAAC BELL,		
DE WITT J. SELIGMAN,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner BELL presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Buildings, recommending an appropriation of \$104.35, to pay bill for extra work done by Thomas Falvey in connection with his contract for repairing and painting Grammar School building No. 37; stating, that the Board has the financial ability to appropriate the amount from the reserve fund.

The resolution submitted by the Committee on Buildings is on pages 753, 754 of the Journal.

ISAAC BELL,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
DE WITT J. SELIGMAN,		
EUGENE KELLY,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner BELL presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the

Trustees of the Ninth Ward, relative to awards by them of contracts for the steam-heating apparatus and furniture required for the new building on West Tenth street, for Primary School No. 7 ; stating, that for the heating apparatus five bids were received, amounts, \$5,488 ; \$4,980 ; \$4,838, \$4,038, and \$3,995. The award is for the lowest sum, to Messrs. Gillis & Geoghegan.

For the furniture, Part I, three bids were received ; amounts, \$1,998 ; \$698.59 ; \$1,590. The award is for the lowest sum, A. H. Andrews & Co.

For the furniture, Part II, the bids are for, "Stationary Top Desks," \$2,100, by Michigan School Furniture Co. ; by Nathaniel Johnson, without description, for \$3,200. A. H. Andrews & Co. submit four bids for differing styles and qualities ; amounts, \$2,975 ; \$2,750 ; \$2,550 ; \$2,375. The award is for "National Study Desk in Cherry, with folding easel and bookshelf," \$2,975. This selection is in accordance with the general opinions of Trustees as to the superior quality and adaptation of this article to school uses, and has been heretofore acquiesced in by the Committee on School Furniture and the Board.

The parties named are responsible, and the lowest bidders for the articles required.

The Board has the ability to appropriate the money from the fund derived from the sale of School House Bonds, and a resolution is submitted authorizing the appropriation :

Resolved, That the sum of three thousand nine hundred and ninety-five dollars (\$3,995) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the steam-heating apparatus required for the Primary School building No. 7, being erected on West Tenth street, Charles J. Gillis and Stephen J. Geoghegan, contractors, and that the sums of fifteen hundred and ninety dollars (\$1,590), and two thousand nine hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$2,975) be and the same are hereby appropriated for the furniture, Parts I and II respectively, required for said building, A. H. Andrews & Co., contract-

ors ; said appropriations to be debited to the fund derived from the sale of School House Bonds.

But no part of said money to be paid, until the Trustees of the Ninth Ward shall have duly filed the contracts to be entered into by them, with the parties to whom said contracts have been awarded, together with such security for the faithful performance of the same as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee, nor until the usual requirements as to the form of contracts and the payments to be made on account thereof are complied with.

ISAAC BELL,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,		
EUGENE KELLY,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner CRAWFORD presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, &c., to whom was referred the communication of the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking an amendment to the by-laws of this Board, covering the right to payment of salaries to substitutes who may be employed in vacancies occasioned by the death or resignation of teachers until a regular appointment can be made ; stating, that they have given the subject careful consideration, and are of opinion that an amendment covering the recited case should be made.

They, therefore, offer for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the by-laws of this Board be amended by adding after the words " Committee on Teachers," on line 14, on page 105, of the manual, the following :

" In case a vacancy in the position of an Assistant Teacher occurs by death, or resignation, between the meetings of a Board of Trustees, so that a class be without instruction, a licensed Teacher as substitute may be employed to instruct said class, and shall receive payment for the actual service performed, at the rate of \$1.25 per day until and including the day of the next meeting of the

Board of Trustees of the Ward in which such vacancy occurs, but no longer."

J. EDWARD SIMMONS, EUGENE H. POMEROY, FERDINAND TRAUD, GILBERT H. CRAWFORD, WILLIAM WOOD,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, &c.</i>
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Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner WOOD presented a report from the Committee on Normal College, stating, that in submitting to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, the list of books, &c., required for use in the Normal College, to be placed on the list of Supplies for 1886, the following named books were omitted, the application of Prof. Gillet having been mislaid :

Wentworth's Algebra. Part II.

" Geometry. Part II.

Satisfactory work in Mathematics in the Sophomore Grade, without such text-books, cannot be done. Neither of these books is to displace any books that are now in use. They are both special editions containing selections from Professor Wentworth's excellent Mathematical Works of just the subjects which it is desirous of taking up in the Sophomore grade, in addition to those contained in the text-book which is now in use, and it is desirable to have the logarithmic tables with the Algebra rather than with the Geometry.

The Committee request that these books be added to the list of Supplies, for use in the Normal College, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the following named books for use in the Normal College be added to the list of Supplies for 1886 :

Wentworth's Algebra, Part II.

Wentworth's Geometry, Part II.

WILLIAM WOOD, ISAAC BELL, G. SCHWAB, J. EDWARD SIMMONS,	}	<i>Committee on Normal College.</i>
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Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom were referred applications from the Trustees of the Eighth, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, to excuse the absence of teachers, with full pay; stating, that the cause of absence in each case reported herein is personal illness.

A statement is submitted, showing the record of each applicant for the past five years.

The Committee recommend that the absences be excused, with full pay, for the time stated in the column "time allowed," in the following resolution, which is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the following-named teachers be excused for absence, with full pay, for the "Time allowed" herein :

WARD.	School.	Name.	Time Allowed.	Years of Service.	Instruction.	Discipline.	No. Days Lost.	Exc. with full pay.
8th.	M. D. 8.	Sarah M. Ferguson	22 d. Oct.	8	{ Good...1 y. } { Ex .....4 y. Ex..... }		28	10 d.
	M. D. 38.	Maggie Garvin	10 d. Oct.	17	{ Good...2 y. } { Ex.....3y. Ex..... }		110	53 d.
	r. D. 38.	Sarah L. Frost	22 d. Oct.	20	{ Good...4 y. } { Ex.....1 y. Ex..... }		14	11 d.
23d.	G. D. 60.	Charles Curtiss	8 d. Oct	5	{ Ex.....4 y. } { Good...1 y. Ex..... }		10	5 d.
	G. D. 60.	Hannah S. Wingate	1 d. Oct.	8	{ Ex.....1 y. } { Good...4 y. Ex..... }		38	.....
	G. D. 60.	Carrie W. Cabot	1 d. Oct.	5	{ Good...1 y. Good.1 y. } { Ex.....4 y. Ex....4 y. }		150	.....
24th.	G. S. 64.	Sarah A. Cooper	1½ d. Oct.	23	Ex.....Ex.....		39	17 d.

DAVID WETMORE,
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,
EUGENE H. POMEROY,
EUGENE KELLY,
WILLIAM WOOD,

}

Committee
on
Teachers.

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom were referred applications from the Trustees of the several Wards, to excuse the absence of teachers, with full pay ; stating, that the cause of absence in each case reported herein is personal illness.

A statement is submitted, showing the record of each applicant for the past five years.

The Committee recommend that the absences be excused, with full pay, for the "Time allowed," in the following resolution, which is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the following named teachers be excused for absence, with full pay, for the "Time allowed " herein :

WARD.	School.	Name.	Time Allowed.	Years of Service.	Instruction.	Discipline.	No. Days Lost.	Exc. with full pay.
1st.	F. D. 29.	Amy B. Conklin.....	14 d. Nov.....	31	Management	Excellent..	33	.....
	P. S. 15.	Sarah C. Hubie.....	2 d. Nov.....	33	Management	Excellent..	..	.....
	P. S. 15.	Bridget C. Horen.....	12 d. Nov.....	17	Good.....	Ex.....	62	25 d.
	M. D. 29.	Kate C. Mahoney.....	4 d. Oct.....	12	{ Good...3 y.....	{ Ex.....2 y.Ex.....	13	.....
3d.	P. S. 37.	Kate I. Carroll.....	8 d. Sept....	19	{Fair...1 y. }	{Good..1 y. }	60	24 d.
					{ Good.....Ex....3 y. }			
10th.	P. D. 42.	Mary E. Jones.....	4 d. Nov.....	24	General Assistant.....		18	2 d.
	P. D. 42.	S. Fannie Johnson.....	16 d. Nov.....	9	Ex.....	Ex.....	60	26 d.
	F. D. 7.	Ellen L. Chapman.....	7 d. Nov.....	35	{ Good...2 y.....	{ Ex.....3 y.Ex.....	99	18 d.
12th.	M D. 37.	M. Helen Bell.....	{ 4 d. May. 20 d. }	26	{ Good...1 y.....	{ Ex.....4 y.Ex.....	21	.....
			{ June, 1 d. July }					
	F. D. 78.	Della A. Smith.....	5 d. Sept....	7	{ Good...1 y.....	{ Ex.....4 y.Ex.....	48	.....
13th.	P. D. 4.	Josephine A. Cornwell.	8 d. Nov.....	24	{Good..1 y. }	{ Good.....Ex....4 y. }	2	.....
	P. S. 20.	Sarah A. Montague....	6 d. Nov.....	30	{ Ex.....3 y.Ex....3 y. }	{ Managem't Excel..2 y. }	16	10 d.
17th.	P. D. 13.	Margaret M. Keough...	1 d. Nov.....	5	{ Good...1 y.Good..1 y. }	{ Ex.....4 y.Ex....4 y }	54	.....
	F. D. 19.	Cordella S. Kilmer....	16 d. Nov.....	19	Ex.....	Ex.....	8	4 d
	M. D. 25.	Phillip O'Bryan.....	1 d. Nov.....	22	Good	Ex.....	6	.....
	F. D. 25.	Fannie Funston.....	4½ d. Nov.....	24	{ Good...1 y.....	{ Ex.....4 y.Ex.....	109	51 d.
	P. D. 79.	Hannah J. Higgins....	12 d, Nov.....	10	{ Good...3 y.....	{ Ex. ....2 y.Ex.....	6	1 d.
19th.	M. D. 18.	R. F. Mallon.....	7 d. Nov.....	7	Ex.....	Ex.....	9	.....
	P. S. 35.	Lucy Cain.....	15 d. Nov.....	5	Ex.....	Ex.....	35	11 d.
	F. D. 53.	Anna C. Kelly.....	15 d. Nov.....	13	Ex.....	Ex.....	54	33 d.
	F. D. 59.	Jean Ruggles.....	1 d. Nov.....	6	{ Ex.....4 y.....	{ Good...1 y.Ex.....	25	.....
	F. D. 77.	Alice McConville.....	15 d. Nov.....	7	{ Good...1 y.....	{ Ex.....4 y.Ex.....	35	20 d.
20th.	P. D. 26.	Minnie Schuster.....	5 d. Nov.....	6	{ Good...1 y.....	{ Ex.....4 y.Ex.....	10	.....
	G. D. 33.	Angela Gallagher.....	2 d Nov.....	12	Ex.....	Ex.....	13	.....
	P. D. 33.	Irene M. Gahagan....	8 d. Nov.....	28	Good.....	Good.....	38	31 d.
	P. D. 33.	Kate E. Hughes.....	14 d. Nov.....	6	Ex.....	Ex.....	12	.....
22d.	P. D. 28.	Anna E. Page.....	6 d. Nov.....	12	Ex.....	Ex.....	16	.....
	P. D. 28.	Cora E. Hopping.....	4 d. Nov.....	8	Ex.....	Ex.....	58	1 d.
	M. D. 58.	Caroline A. Hard..	4 d. Nov.....	26	General Assistant.....		17	4 d.
	P. D. 58.	Emma A. Egbert....	3 d. Nov.....	21	{ Good...1 y.....	{ Ex.....4 y.Ex.....	15	2 d.
	P. D. 67.	Catharine Gass.....	12 d. Nov.....	11	{ Good...1 y.Ex.....	{ Ex.....4 y.....	75	41 d
	M. D. 69.	Eloise Taylor.....	16 d. Nov.....	23	Ex.....	Ex.....	3	.....

WARD.	School.	Name.	Time Allowed.	Years of Service.	Instruction,	Discipline.	No. Days Lost,	Exc. with full pay.
23d.	G. S. 60.	Carrie W. Cabot.....	1 d. Nov.....	5	{ Good...1 y. Good..1 y. }		151	1 d.
					{ Ex.....4 y. Ex....4 y. }			
	P. D. 62.	Sara J. MacPherson...	7 d. Nov.....	7	Ex.....	Ex.....	54	34 d.
24th.	G. S. 64.	Sarah A. Cooper.....	5 d. Nov.....	23	Ex.....	Ex.....	41	1 d.

DAVID WETMORE,	} Committee on Teachers.
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	
WILLIAM WOOD,	

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the nomination by the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward of Miss Mary S. Cunningham for Principal of Primary School No. 6, *vice* Miss Mary C. Hepburn, resigned, to take effect January 1, 1886; stating that Miss Cunningham is at present Principal of P. S. No. 30, located on Ward's Island, Twelfth Ward. She has been regularly nominated by the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward for this position, and is in every way qualified to perform the duties of the position.

By making this appointment the Board will be enabled to carry out the plan of consolidation adopted November 4, by discontinuing P. S. No. 30, and reorganizing the school as a branch of Primary Department G. S. No. 83.

The Committee recommend that the nomination be confirmed, and submit the following resolutions for adoption:

Resolved, That Miss Mary S. Cunningham, nominated by the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward for the position of Principal of Primary School No. 6, be and she hereby is appointed to said position, to take effect on and after January 1, 1886.

Resolved, That Primary School No. 30, on Ward's Island, in the Twelfth Ward, be and the same is hereby discontinued, and the school be reorganized as a branch of Primary De-

partment Grammar School No. 83, to take effect on and after January 1, 1886.

DAVID WETMORE, EUGENE H. POMEROY, GILBERT H. CRAWFORD, WILLIAM WOOD,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
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Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, nominating Miss Caroline L. Langbein for the position of Principal of Primary School No. 22, *vice* Mrs. Emily M. Greenwood, deceased; stating, that said communication is in the proper form, and certifies the nomination to have been made at a regularly called meeting of the Board of Trustees of said Ward, at which a majority of the whole number in office were present. The qualifications of the candidate are attested by the certificate of the City Superintendent, and the requirements of law having been complied with, the Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That Miss Caroline L. Langbein, nominated by the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward for the position of Principal of Primary School No. 22, she having (as appears from the annexed certificate of the City Superintendent) the requisite qualifications, be and she hereby is appointed to said position, from the date of commencement of service, subsequent to the passage of this resolution.

DAVID WETMORE, EUGENE H. POMEROY, GILBERT H. CRAWFORD, WILLIAM WOOD,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
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Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner WELCH presented a report from the Com-

mittee on School Furniture, in the matter of the application of the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward for authority to advertise for proposals for the furniture required for the addition to Grammar School No. 43 ; stating, that this new addition is nearing completion, and it is recommended that the request of the Trustees be granted.

Resolved, That the School Trustees of the Twelfth Ward be and they hereby are authorized to advertise in the *City Record*, for two weeks, for proposals for supplying the furniture required for the addition to Grammar School No. 43. Plans and specifications to be prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the Committee on School Furniture and Trustees of the Twelfth Ward.

W. J. WELCH, CHAS. L. HOLT, EDWARD J. H. TAMSEN, J. D. VERMILYE,	}	<i>Committee on School Furniture.</i>
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Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner WELCH presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, submitting a statement of the condition of the Buildings Contingent Fund, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Committee on School Furniture, in compliance with section 53, subdivision 2, of the by-laws, respectfully submit herewith a statement of the condition of the portion of the Buildings Contingent Fund, together with a list of expenditures authorized to December 1, 1885.

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. WELCH, CHAS. L. HOLT, EDWARD J. H. TAMSEN, J. D. VERMILYE,	}	<i>Committee on School Furniture</i>
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December 2, 1885.

STATEMENT.

Portion of Fund to be expended under direction of the Committee..... \$4,800 00

Expenditures.

Expended per last report..... \$2,832 89

Expended since last report:

WARD. SCHOOL.

5.	G. S. 44.	Repair piano, F. D.....	\$75 00
	G. S. 44.	" " P. D.....	75 00
	P. S. 11.	" "	50 00
6.	P. S. 2.	Desks, seats, &c.....	99 78
	G. S. 23.	Settees, &c., from shop, repaired, &c.....	149 95
7.	P. S. 36.	Transferring desks from G. S. 2 and 31.....	21 62
11.	P. S. 31.	Repairing piano.....	60 00
12..	P. D. 83.	Curtain screens... ..	24 96
	G. S. 54.	Carpet and two chairs.....	30 00
15.	G. S. 47.	Repair two pianos.....	10 00
17.	G. S. 18.	" two "	15 00
	G. S. 19.	" three "	15 00
	G. S. 25.	" three "	45 00
	P. S. 22.	" piano....	50 00
	G. S. 18.	Music boards.....	80 00
	P. S. 9.	Removing furniture	31 80
22.	G. S. 28.	New furniture one room	156 65
	G. S. 69.	Desks, &c.....	100 00
	G. S. 28.	Repair piano, F. D.....	75 00
	G. S. 69.	Book closet... ..	15 00
			<hr/> \$1,179 96

Total expenditures..... \$3,512 65

Authorized Expenditures—Bills not Rendered.

2.	P. S. 34.	Repair pianos.....	\$75 00
5.	G. S. 44.	" " M. D.....	75 00
9.	P. S. 18.	Chairs.....	12 00
10.	P. S. 1.	Refurnish teachers' rooms.....	120 00
12.	G. S. 43.	3 Chairs.....	10 50
	P. S. 31.	1 Teacher's desk... ..	12 00
	G. S. 78.	Furnish class room.....	150 00
	G. S. 46.	6 Chairs.....	12 00
15.	G. S. 35.	12 Chairs.....	36 00
17.	G. S. 25.	18 Music boards.....	180 00

WARD. SCHOOL.

	G. S. 19.	Substitute desks for settees....	\$100 00	
22.	G. S. 51.	Curtain screens.....	175 00	
	G. S. 9.	Substitute desks for settees....	50 00	
	G. S. 58.	12 Chairs.....	32 00	
			<hr/>	\$1,089 50
		Total expended and authorized.....		\$4,552 15
		Balance unappropriated.....		<hr/> \$247 25

December 1, 1885.

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, &c., to whom was referred the resolution of Commissioner TAMSEN, authorizing the closing of a Department on the day of the funeral of the Principal thereof, found in Journal, p. 790; stating, that in the opinion of the Committee it is inexpedient to introduce into our school government a deviation from the established rule of the Board for many years, by allowing the schools to be adjourned on considerations other than those of special emergency.

It has been found that when such deviations were made it was detrimental to the order and discipline required of the pupils.

The Committee, therefore, recommend that the resolution be not adopted.

J. EDWARD SIMMONS,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, &c.</i>
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the resolution offered by Commissioner Crary, amending section 28, subdivision 4 of the by-laws, with reference to subjects in which a teacher shall be re-examined for a license (Journal, pp. 790, 791); stating, that they are of the opinion that it is inexpedient to add to the by-laws the amendment

proposed. They therefore offer for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee on By-Laws, &c., be discharged from the further consideration of the proposed amendment to subdivision 4, of section 28 of the by-laws (Journal, p. 790).

J. EDWARD SIMMONS,
EUGENE H. POMEROY,
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,
WILLIAM WOOD,
FERDINAND TRAUD,

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Committee
on
By-Laws, &c.

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner SCHWAB presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, submitting a statement of the condition of the Buildings Contingent Fund, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Committee on Warming and Ventilation, in compliance with section 53, subdivision 2, of the by-laws, respectfully submit herewith a statement of the portion of the “ Buildings Contingent Fund” under the control of the Committee, including a statement of the expenditures allowed to December 1, 1885.

Respectfully submitted,

GUSTAV SCHWAB,
F. W. DEVOE,
W. J. WELCH,

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Committee on
Warming and
Ventilation.

STATEMENT.

Portion of Fund to be expended under direction of the Committee..... \$8,000 00

Expenditures.

Expended per last report..... \$787 93
Expended since last report :

WARD. SCHOOLS.			
4.	G. S. 1.	General repairs	\$126 00
	P. S. 12.	Cleaning Stoves, &c.....	37 20
	P. S. 14.	“	122 94
7.	G. S. 2.	General repairs.....	172 70
	G. S. 12.	“	95 49
	P. S. 36.	“	97 64
8.	G. S. 8.	“	139 95

WARD SCHOOL.

	G. S. 38.	General repairs.....	\$180 00
9.	G. S. 16.	"	54 45
	P. S. 13.	Stoves cleaned.....	40 30
10.	G. S. 7.	General repairs.....	73 49
	G. S. 20.	"	98 71
	G. S. 42.	"	126 32
	P. S. 1.	"	148 81
17.	G. S. 13.	New cooking stove.....	18 00
			<hr/> \$1,532 00

Total expended..... \$2,319

Authorized Expenditures. Bills not Rendered.

1.	G. S. 29.	General repairs.....	\$175 00
	P. S. 15.	"	30 00
2.	P. S. 34.	"	40 00
3.	P. S. 37.	"	60 00
5.	G. S. 44.	"	168 00
	P. S. 11.	"	136 00
6.	G. S. 24.	"	100 00
	P. S. 2.	"	40 00
8.	P. S. 25.	Stoves cleaned.....	47 00
9.	G. S. 3.	General repairs	200 00
	G. S. 41.	"	175 00
	P. S. 7.	"	36 00
	P. S. 18.	"	65 00
	P. S. 24.	"	25 00
11.	G. S. 15.	Repair boiler room.....	175 00
12.	G. S. 39.	Fenders	25 00
16.	G. S. 56.	General repairs	75 00
17.	G. S. 25.	Range.....	50 00
	G. S. 19.	"	75 00
19.	G. S. 27.	Radiators.....	200 00
	G. S. 18.	Repairs arch over boiler.....	100 00
20.	G. S. 33.	Disconnect apparatus.....	25 00
22.	G. S. 28.	Stove for Janitor.....	28 00
23	{ Branch G. S. 60. }	Stores for four class-rooms	80 00
	G. S. 61.	Radiators for hall, &c.	200 00
			<hr/> 2,330 00

Total expended and authorized..... \$4,614

Balance unappropriated..... \$3,350

December 1, 1885.

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

Commissioner SCHWAB presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, to whom was referred the award of contract by the Trustees of the Ninth Ward for a new steam boiler for Grammar School No. 3, to John Neal & Co., for the sum of \$672; stating that, in pursuance of authority conferred by the Board, the Trustees solicited proposals for doing this work by public advertisement for two weeks.

In response to this advertisement the following proposals were received:

John Neal & Co.,	3½ feet diam. by 12 ft. long.	.....	\$672
Rutzler & Blake,	3 feet	" "	..... 751
" "	3½ feet	" "	... 801
Joseph R. Black,	"	... ..	737

The Trustees have awarded the contract to John Neal & Co., the lowest bidder, for the sum of \$672.

In view of the previous transactions of the firm of John Neal & Co., with this Board, as reported in the Journal of this year, pp. 238-241, and in view of the fact that it is the opinion of your Committee that under the provisions of section 50, subdivision 3, of the by-laws (page 636 of the Manual), which reads as follows: "No contractor shall be accepted to perform any contract to be paid by an appropriation by this Board who has heretofore failed to perform faithfully any contract for this Board," the Committee recommend that the award made by the Trustees to Neal & Co. be not approved.

Mr. Joseph R. Black, the second lowest bidder, is represented to be a responsible person, and in every way qualified to perform the work, and it is recommended that the award be made to him at the price stated in his bid, seven hundred and thirty-seven dollars (\$737), subject to the approval of the Trustees, provided he will stipulate to furnish a boiler three and one-half feet in diameter by twelve feet long.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption:
Resolved, That the sum of seven hundred and thirty-seven dollars (\$737) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for placing a new steam boiler in Grammar School Building No. 3. But no part of said money to be paid until the

Trustees of the Ninth Ward shall have filed with this Board a contract to be entered into by them with Joseph R. Black, for the furnishing of a boiler three and one-half feet in diameter and twelve feet long, in accordance with the other requirements in the plans and specifications and his proposal, together with such security as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee; the rules of this Board to be complied with in regard to the form of said contract and the payments to be made on account thereof.

GUSTAV SCHWAB,
F. W. DEVOE,
W. J. WELCH,

} Committee
on
Warming and
Ventilation.

On motion of Commissioner SCHWAB—

Referred to the Finance Committee for immediate report.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Sites and New Schools, to whom were referred applications from Trustees of several wards for the purchase of the following described sites :

Twelfth Ward.—Three lots, with buildings thereon, on south side of One Hundred and Twentieth street, 100 feet east of Pleasant avenue.

Twelfth Ward.—Two lots on north side of West One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues.

Fourteenth Ward.—One lot, adjoining the north side of G. S. No. 21, in Marion, near Prince street.

Seventeenth Ward.—Three lots on north side of East Fourth street, in rear of Grammar School building No. 25, known as Nos. 119, 121 and 123.

Nineteenth Ward.—Three lots on East Fifty-sixth street, between Second and Third avenues, in rear of G. S. building No. 59.

The Committee report that the Board of Education having no funds at their disposal for the purchase of the above named sites, they recommend that the applications be denied, and a resolution for that purpose is herewith submitted for adoption:

Resolved, That the applications from Trustees to purchase the following described sites be and the same are hereby denied:

Twelfth Ward.—Three lots, with buildings thereon, on south side of One Hundred and Twentieth street, 100 feet east of Pleasant avenue.

Twelfth Ward.—Two lots on north side of West One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues, in rear of G. S. building No. 68.

Fourteenth Ward.—One lot, adjoining the north side of G. S. No. 21, in Marion, near Prince street.

Seventeenth Ward.—Three lots on north side of East Fourth street, in rear of Grammar School building No. 25, known as Nos. 119, 121 and 123.

Nineteenth Ward.—Three lots on East Fifty-sixth street, between Second and Third avenues, in rear of Grammar School building No. 59.

EUGENE H. POMEROY,	} Committee on Sites and New Schools.
CHAS. L. HOLT.	
G. SCHWAB,	
FERDINAND TRAUD.	

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Sites and New Schools, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward for the purchase of the house and lot on the north side of East Fifty-first street, adjoining Grammar School building No. 18 on the west side (known as No. 119); stating, that it is necessary that said lot should be purchased in order to "afford health and comfort for the pupils attending said school, as set forth by the Trustees; also, to afford light and ventilation."

The Committee recommend that the property be purchased at the price named, \$6,500, and submit a resolution authorizing it:

Resolved, That the sum of six thousand five hundred dollars (\$6,500) be and the same is hereby appropriated from the funds of 1885 for the purchase of house and lot on the

north side of East Fifty-first street, adjoining Grammar School No. 18, on the west side (known as No. 119); said lot being about 18 feet front and rear by about 100 feet deep, and the Comptroller of the City of New York is hereby authorized to pay the said sum of six thousand five hundred dollars (\$6,500) for the premises named, to be used for school purposes, upon the presentation to him of the deed for the same, together with the certificate of the Counsel to the Corporation that the title thereto is satisfactory and free from all encumbrances, and is vested in the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

EUGENE H. POMEROY,	} <i>Committee</i>
CHAS. L. HOLT,	
G. SCHWAB,	
FERDINAND TRAUD,	
	<i>on Sites</i>
	<i>and</i>
	<i>New Schools.</i>

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented a report from the Auditing Committee; stating, that they have examined the accompanying bills, and believing the items thereof to be correct and the charges reasonable, recommend their payment by the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the following named bills be and they hereby are approved for payment:

Chas. Whitlock, two double windows for Auditor's office, Hall of Board, November 28, 1885	\$22 00
E. Henry Lacombe, Counsel to the Corporation, to disbursements made in examining title to six lots of ground corner One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street and Sixth avenue, &c., December 2, 1885	219 10
Wm. Oland Bourne, postage and incidental expenses, Office Board of Education, November 5, to December 1, 1885	81 13

C. S. Sherman, repairing Croton water pipe (Hall of Board), November 5,	\$3 25	
C. S. Sherman, repairing street washer, water closet 2d floor, gas light in lower hall, Hall of Board, November 16, 17, 18, 19, 1885.....	26 36	
		\$29 61
J. B. Conger, sprinkling the street in front of Hall of Board, from June 10 to December 1, 1885.....		37 25
		<hr/> \$389 09

HENRY SCHMITT,	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
ISAAC BELL,	
DE WITT J. SELIGMAN,	

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner SELIGMAN presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, recommending an appropriation of \$737 for a new steam boiler to be placed in Grammar School No. 3 ; stating, that the Board has the financial ability to make said appropriation from the " Reserve Fund."

DE WITT J. SELIGMAN,	} <i>Finance Committee.</i>
FERDINAND TRAUD,	
ISAAC BELL,	

Commissioner WOOD moved that the name of Joseph R. Black be stricken out of the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, together with the amount named, \$737, and that the name of John Neal & Co., amount \$672, be inserted.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Bell, Crary, Traud, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—6.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab and Seligman—9.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, found on the Journal of this date, pp. 847, 848, in connection with the report of the Finance Committee, and it was decided in the negative, two-thirds not voting therefor, as follows:

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Traud, Welch and Wetmore—13.

Nays—Commissioners Crary and Wood—2.

Commissioner SCHWAB moved that said vote be reconsidered, and the resolution and report retain their place on the schedule.

Which was adopted.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Commissioner POMEROY offered the following:

Resolved, That the several Boards of School Trustees are hereby requested and required to furnish to the Clerk of this Board, on or before January 10, 1886, a complete list of all the teachers in the several schools and departments of their several Wards, with the positions held by such teachers on January 1, 1886, in numerical order.

Adopted.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Commissioner DEVOE -

The Board adjourned.

JOHN DAVENPORT,
Acting Clerk.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1885.

STATED SESSION.

Present—STEPHEN A. WALKER, Esq., President, and Commissioners BELL, CRARY, CRAWFORD, DEVOE, GALLAWAY, HOLT, KELLY, PERKINS, POMEROY, SCHMITT, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, SIMMONS, TRAUD, VERMILYE, WELCH, WETMORE and WOOD—19.

Absent—Commissioners TAMSEN and WALLACE—2.

The PRESIDENT announced for consideration the minutes of the last session, and put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the session held on December 9th, as printed in the Journal, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners BELL, CRARY, CRAWFORD, DEVOE, GALLAWAY, HOLT, KELLY, PERKINS, POMEROY, SCHMITT, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, SIMMONS, TRAUD, VERMILYE, WELCH, WETMORE and WOOD—19.

CITY SUPERINTENDENT.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the report of the City Superintendent for the month of November, as follows :

CITY SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, }
NEW YORK, *December 16, 1885.* }

To the Honorable the Board of Education :

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to submit the report of the operations of the City Superintendent's Department for the month of November last.

The schools visited by the Assistant Superintendents were the following ; Grammar Schools Nos. 5, 19, 29, 30, 36, 37, 38,

61, 62, 63, 65, 66. Primary Schools Nos. 3, 7, 13, 15, 18, 22, 34, 37, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47 and 48. A total of 42 schools.

The returns show that of 349 classes examined 272 were reported *excellent* in character of instruction, 74 *good*, and 3 *fair*. The discipline in 336 of the classes examined or inspected is returned as *excellent*, in 25 *good*, and in 1 *fair*.

The general management was found to be *excellent* in 34 schools, *good* in 3, *fair* in 1, and *bad* in 1. Acting Principals having been in charge of three schools for a short time previous to the examination, the management of these schools was not marked.

The Principals' monthly reports show that on the thirtieth day of November there were registered in Grammar and Primary Schools 147,824 pupils, with an average daily attendance during the month of 135,655. This is an excess of 2,694 in enrollment, and 1,829 in daily attendance, as compared with the returns of same month last year.

The average attendance in the Evening Schools for November was 8,095—an increase of 295 over the corresponding month in 1884.

In compliance with law, I submit herewith a schedule giving the names of teachers in whose classes the absenteeism for the month was in excess of twenty per cent.

The number of days lost by the absence of teachers was 1,812—an increase of 276 as compared with the month of November, 1884.

As required by law, I hereby report Miss Margaret H. Dominick, Assistant Teacher in Primary School No. 46, for inefficiency, she having received *fair* in instruction for two consecutive years.

Very respectfully,

JOHN JASPER,

City Superintendent.

List of Teachers in whose Classes the absenteeism was in excess of twenty per cent. during the month of November, 1885.

Schools.	Teachers.	Per Cent.	Schools.	Teachers.	Per Cent.
M. D.	21 J. F. McFarland.	31	P. D.	50 M. E. Fanning. ...	23
P. D.	3 S. J. Dornan	21	"	55 M. E. Murray.....	21
"	40 V. Leary	24	P. S.	48 N. Nuttall	21
"	50 E. Schwally.....	21			

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From Pupils of F. D. G. S. No. 22, asking for the use of a room in said building for the use of a literary society formed of pupils of said school.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Society for Ethical Culture, an invitation to attend a reception given by said Society to Prof. C. M. Woodward, of St. Louis.

On motion of Commissioner WETMORE—
Said invitation was accepted.

From John Ham, resigning his office as School Trustee of the Fifth Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Nomination of Trustees.

From Vice-Principals of Schools, relative to the salaries of Vice-Principals.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From Theodore M. Lilienthal, relative to the appointment of School Trustee for the Nineteenth Ward, as follows :

Nos. 8 and 10 WATER STREET, }
 NEW YORK, Dec. 14, 1885. }

To the Honorable the Board of Education, New York :

Although I understand that I was appointed a School Trustee for the Nineteenth Ward, on the 2d of December instant, yet in view of the doubt that seems to exist regarding my title, I place my resignation in your hands, with a view to relieve you from any possible embarrassment.

I do this with the greater regret, however, because I should have deemed it an honor to fill the position to which apparently I have been elected.

Very respectfully yours,

THEODORE M. LILIENTHAL.

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes.

COUNSEL TO THE BOARD.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from the Counsel to the Board relative to the appointment of a Trustee for the Nineteenth Ward, as follows :

106 BROADWAY, }
 Decemker 16, 1885. }

SIR—I have considered, with much care, the subject mentioned in your communication to the Board of Education, on the 9th instant, referred to me.

Section 1025 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, (page 14 of the Manual), provides that “on the first Wednesday in December in each year, the Board of Education shall appoint one Trustee for each Ward, to hold office for the term of five years from the first day of January then next.”

It appears by the Minutes of the Board that on the 2d instant, being the first Wednesday in December in the present year, the Board adopted a resolution appointing Louis M. Hornthal to the office of Trustee for the Nineteenth Ward for the term of five years, to commence on the first day of January next, by a vote, taken by ayes and nays, of eleven members in

favor of the same and ten members in opposition thereto, the names of the members voting being given, and the number of affirmative votes being a majority of all the members of the Board (Journal, page 805).

It must be conceded, according to numerous authorities which can be cited, that an appointment thus made cannot be reconsidered or changed by any subsequent proceedings of the Board, the power vested in the Board to make such appointment being thereby exhausted.

(Cushing's Parl. Law, §§ 205, 99, 100, 1825, 1828; Male on Elections, 100; Cases of Paxton, Dresden, Chesterfield, Winslow, and Southbridge,—Cushing, S. & J., 20, 151, 7, 201, 215; Day v. Kent, 1 Oregon, 128; Washburne v. Ripley, Clarke & H., 679; Morgan v. Quackenbush, 22 Barb., 72; Bowen v. Hixon, 45 Mo., 340; Gooding v. Wilson, 42d Congress; Hadley v. City of Albany, 33 N. Y., 603; Hartt v. Harvey, 32 Barb., 55; People *ex rel.* Hartt v. White, 11 Abb., 168; Ramsay v. Calaway, 15 La. An., 464; Chrisman v. Anderson, 1 Bartlett, 338; State v. Dunniworth, 21 Ohio, 216; Clark v. Buchanan, 2 Minn., 346; People v. Gordon, 5 Cal., 235; Kline v. Myers, 1 Bartlett, 574; Sleeper v. Rice, 1 Bartlett, 472; Opinion of Justices, 117 Mass., 599; McCrary on Elections, §§ 93, 94, 95, 96, 97.)

It is presumed that the usual and customary course was pursued by the Board of calling the names of the members voting, and of repeating such call before the close of the poll and declaration of the result; and I understand that it is not disputed that the names of the members voting on the said resolution, and the manner in which they had voted, were called and repeated twice after the vote was originally taken by the clerk, and that no objection was made to the vote, as finally recorded, by any member, before the declaration of the result.

This being so, it follows, under the authorities on Parliamentary Law and Practice and of the Courts, that the declaration of the result is final and conclusive; and that if any member did not, or did not intend to, vote as recorded, his silence, when his name was repeatedly called as having so voted, was an acquies-

cence therein and equivalent to a vote in accordance therewith, the old maxim that "a man who does not speak when he ought shall not be heard when he desires to speak" (2 Coma., 281), being applicable.

I am clearly of the opinion, in view of the law, and of the facts, that Mr. Hornthal was duly appointed Trustee of the Nineteenth Ward for five years from the first day of January next, and that the proceedings of the Board subsequent to the adoption of the resolution appointing him to that office, relating to such appointment, were without effect and void.

Very respectfully,

R. G. BEARDSLEE

JOHN DAVENPORT, Esq.,
Acting Clerk.

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full in the minutes.

Commissioner POMEROY moved that the Clerk of the Board be directed to administer the oath of office to Mr. LOUIS M. HORNTAL, as Trustee of Common Schools for the Nineteenth Ward.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner POMEROY, and it was decided in the affirmative.

From Misses Kate Stanley, Elizabeth S. Francis, and Ella E. Lansing, demanding payment of salary from 1st day of October, 1884, to the 30th day of November, 1885, at amounts respectively named, as teachers in G. S. No. 81.

Referred to the Counsel to the Board.

RESOLUTIONS TO BE REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Commissioner WOOD offered the following :

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns, it adjourn until Wednesday, 30th December, at 4 P. M.

Adopted.

Commissioner WOOD offered the following :

Resolved, That the offices of the Board of Education be closed for the transaction of business on Saturday, December 26, 1885, and Saturday, January 2, 1886.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications for immediate report.

Commissioner POMEROY offered the following :

Amend section 60, pages 141 and 142, by striking out the words "twenty-five" and inserting "fifty," and striking out the words "one and one-half" and inserting the word "three."

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

Commissioner TRAUD offered the following :

Resolved, That the sessions of the Evening Schools be suspended on the evenings of December 21, 22, 23 and 24, the omitted sessions to be held at the end of the term.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications for immediate report.

Commissioner POMEROY offered the following :

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee on By-Laws to frame a by-law placing regular teachers who may teach German, French and Drawing in schools where no special teachers of such subjects are employed, upon the same footing as regular teachers having charge of Music under like circumstances under the present by-laws.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

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REPORTS LAID OVER UNDER THE RULE.

The PRESIDENT announced for consideration the report of the Committee on Teachers, appointing Mrs. Fannie A. Smith as Principal of P. S. No. 8, and to discontinue P. S. No. 48, and reorganize said school as a branch of P. S. No. 47, Journal, pp. 786, 787, 1820.

Commissioner SCHMITT called for a division of the question on the two resolutions attached to the report of the Committee. Which was lost.

Commissioner SCHMITT moved that the name of Miss Mary T. Lawlor be substituted for the name of Mrs. Fannie A. Smith.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes Commissioners Crary, Kelly, Perkins, Schmitt, Simmons and Vermilye—6.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Schwab, Seligman, Traud, Wetmore and Wood—12.

Commissioner WELCH asked to be and was excused from voting.

Commissioner SCHMITT moved that the name of Miss Kate A. McHugh be substituted for the name of Mrs. Fannie A. Smith in the resolution.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Kelly, Perkins, Schmitt, Simmons and Welch—6.

Nays—Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Schwab, Seligman, Traud, Vermilye, Wetmore and Wood—13.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolutions attached to the report of the Committee as found on page 787 of the Journal, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Traud, Vermilye, Wetmore and Wood—15.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Kelly, Schmitt and Welch—4.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the matter of transferring Grammar Grade pupils from P. S. No. 16 to Grammar Schools Nos. 14 and 49, Journal, pp. 789, 790, 821.

Commissioner POMEROY moved that said report be recommended.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Buildings, to pay Mrs. Mary Nehrbas for services as Janitrix of Branch G. S. No. 61, and to employ a Janitor, &c., Journal, p. 823.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Buildings, to pay Joseph A. Edgerly for services as Janitor G. S. No. 16, \$23.70, Journal, pp. 823, 824.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Supplies, awarding the contract for printing for the Board during 1886 to DeLeeuw, Oppenheimer & Myers, Journal, pp. 830, 831.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Finance Committee, recommending the transfer of balances for 1885 to a general account, Journal, p. 833.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Finance Committee, found on page 833 of the Journal, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Traud, Vermilye, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—19.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Finance Com-

mittee, adhering to their former report approving the payment of taxes for 1885, denying application of P. W. Felix for interest on purchase-price of lots at corner of Sixth avenue and One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street, Journal, pp. 833, 834.

Commissioner VERMILYE moved to amend the resolution, on page 754, last line of the page, by inserting after "the year 1885," "and also that interest be paid on said taxes to date of payment."

Which was adopted.

Commissioner POMEROY moved that the resolution be further amended by adding, "together with the interest upon the purchase-price from May 1."

Which was adopted.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Finance Committee, (Journal, pages 754, 755,) as amended, in connection with this report of the Finance Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Traud, Vermilye, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—19.

The resolution, as amended and adopted, reads as follows :—

Resolved, That the sum of five hundred and twenty-three dollars and twenty cents be and the same is hereby appropriated to the payment of taxes for the year 1885, and also that interest be paid on said taxes to date of payment, together with the interest upon the purchase-price from May 1st, on the premises situated on the northwesterly corner of One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street and Sixth avenue, being 150 feet front and rear on said street, and 99 feet 11 inches front and rear on said avenue, when the purchase of the same under the resolution heretofore adopted shall be completed.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Finance Committee, approving an appropriation of \$104.35 to pay the bill

of Thomas Falvey for extra work on G. S. No. 37, Journal, p. 834.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Buildings, Journal, pp. 753, 754, in connection with this report of the Finance Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Traud, Vermilye, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—19.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Finance Committee, on the financial ability to appropriate \$8,560 for steam-heating apparatus and furniture, &c., as awarded by the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, Journal, pp. 834, 835, 836.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Finance Committee, found on pages 835, 836 of the Journal, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Traud, Vermilye, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—18.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on By-Laws, &c., to amend the by-laws so as to provide for payment of substitutes during temporary vacancies by death or otherwise, Journal, pp. 835, 836, 837.

Commissioner SIMMONS moved that said report be recommitted.

Which was adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Normal College, to add Wentworth's algebra and geometry, Part II, to the list of supplies for the Normal College, Journal, p. 837.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Normal College, page 837, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devce, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Traud, Vermilye, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—16.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Gallaway and Pomeroy.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, to excuse the absence of teachers, with full pay, Journal, p. 838.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Traud, Vermilye, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—19.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, to excuse the absence of teachers, with full pay, Journal, pp. 839, 840.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Traud, Vermilye, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—19.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, appointing Miss Mary S. Cunningham Principal of P. S. No. 6, and to discontinue P. S. No. 30, and reorganize said school as a Branch of P. D. G. S. No. 83, Journal, pp. 840, 841.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would

adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Traud, Vermilye, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—19.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, appointing Miss Caroline L. Langbein, Principal of P. S. No. 22 *vice* Mrs. Emily M. Greenwood, deceased, Journal, p. 841.

On motion of Commissioner KELLY—

Laid over, to be taken up after the consideration of other reports.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on School Furniture, to authorize Trustees of the Twelfth Ward to advertise for proposals for furniture for the addition to G. S. building No. 43, Journal, pp. 841, 842.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on By-Laws, &c., adverse to an amendment of the by-laws so as to provide for the closing of schools or departments on the day of the funeral of a Principal, Journal, p. 844.

On motion of Commissioner CRARY—

Laid over, and to retain its place on the schedule.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on By-Laws, &c., to be discharged from the consideration of an amendment to the by-laws with reference to the subjects in which a teacher shall be re-examined, &c., Journal, pp. 844, 845.

On motion of Commissioner CRARY—

Laid over, and to retain its place on the schedule.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Sites and New Schools, denying the applications of Trustees

of several Wards to purchase sites in the Twelfth, Fourteenth, Seventeenth and Nineteenth Wards, Journal, pp. 848, 849.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Auditing Committee, recommending the payment of sundry bills, Journal, pp. 850, 851.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Traud, Vermilye, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—19.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Finance Committee, on the award of contract for the new boiler for G. S. No. 3, Journal, pp. 851, 852.

Commissioner WOOD moved that the vote by which the amendment to the resolution offered by the Committee was lost, be reconsidered.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would reconsider the vote found on pages 851, 852 of the Journal, on the amendment offered by Commissioner WOOD, and it was decided in the negative as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Bell, Crary, Perkins, Simmons, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—7.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Traud and Vermilye—11.

Commissioner KELLY asked to be and was excused from voting.

Commissioner CRARY moved that the resolution be amended by striking out all after the word "Resolved," and inserting "That the award of contract by the Trustees of the Ninth Ward be returned to said Trustees not approved by this Board."

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crary, Kelly and Perkins—3.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Traud, Vermilye, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—16.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, Journal, pp. 847, 848, in connection with this report of the Finance Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Traud, Vermilye, Welch and Wood—17.

Nays—Commissioner Wetmore—1.

Commissioner CRARY asked to be and was excused from voting.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, appointing Miss Caroline L. Langbein, Principal of P. S. No. 22 *vice* Mrs. Emily M. Greenwood, deceased, Journal, page 865.

Commissioner KELLY moved that said report be laid over, and to retain its place on the Schedule.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner KELLY, and it was decided in the negative as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Gallaway, Kelly, Schmitt, Seligman, Simmons, Vermilye and Welch—8.

Nays—Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schwab, Traud, Wetmore and Wood—11.

Commissioner KELLY moved that the name of Miss Elizabeth Walker be substituted for that of Miss Langbein.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would

agree with the motion of Commissioner KELLY, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Gallaway, Kelly, Schmitt, Seligman, Simmons and Welch—7.

Nays—Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schwab, Traud, Vermilye, Wetmore and Wood—12.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Traud, Vermilye, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—18.

Nays—Commissioner KELLY—1.

Commissioner SELIGMAN moved that the Board do now adjourn.

Which was lost.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom were referred the reports of the Committee on Buildings, asking for an additional appropriation of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) for the Buildings Contingent Fund; an additional sum of seventy-five dollars (\$75) for the completion of the contract for laying a submarine cable across the Harlem River; and for an appropriation of seventeen hundred and seven $\frac{32}{100}$ dollars (\$1,707.32), in payment of the bill of Frank Mitchell, for extra work on Grammar School building No. 31, in Seventh Ward; stating, that the Board has the financial ability to appropriate the sums named from the reserve fund, set apart for special purposes.

The resolution appropriating \$1,000 for the Contingent Fund is on page 825 of the Journal.

The resolution appropriating \$75 for the submarine cable is on page 824 of the Journal.

The resolution appropriating \$1,707.32 for extra work on Grammar School building No. 31 is on pages 821, 822 of the Journal.

J. D. VERMILYE, ISAAC BELL, EUGENE KELLY, FERDINAND TRAUD, DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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Commissioner VERMILYE asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolutions attached to the several reports of the Committee on Buildings, named in this report of the Finance Committee, in connection with this report, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Traud, Vermilye, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—18.

The PRESIDENT called Commissioner SIMMONS to the chair.

Commissioner SIMMONS presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the resolution of Commissioner WOOD, to close the offices of the Board on Saturday, December 26, 1885, and Saturday, January 2, 1886, found on the Journal of this date (page 859), recommending the adoption of the resolution, and the suspension of the by-laws for the purposes of the resolution.

J. EDWARD SIMMONS, EUGENE H. POMEROY, GILBERT H. CRAWFORD, FERDINAND TRAUD, WILLIAM WOOD,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, &c.</i>
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Commissioner SIMMONS asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution of Commissioner WOOD, Journal, p. 859,

in connection with this report of the Committee on By-Laws, &c., and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Gallaway, Holt, Kelly, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Traud, Vermilye, Welch and Wood—16.

Nays—Commissioners Devoe and Wetmore—2.

Commissioner SIMMONS presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the resolution of Commissioner TRAUD, to suspend the sessions of Evening Schools on December 21, 22, 23 and 24, found on the Journal of this date (page 859), recommending that the resolution be adopted, and that the by-laws be suspended for the purpose of the resolution.

J. EDWARD SIMMONS,	} Committee on By-Laws, &c.
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	
FERDINAND TRAUD,	
WILLIAM WOOD,	

Commissioner SIMMONS asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution offered by Commissioner TRAUD, found on the Journal of this date, page 859, in connection with this report of the Committee on By-laws, &c., and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Traud, Vermilye, Welch and Wood—17.

Nay—Commissioner Wetmore—1.

Commissioner SIMMONS presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, &c., in the matter of the communication from Jacob Fleischhauer, Inspector for the Seventh District, declining to sign the pay-rolls of his District, for the allowance to

Primary Teachers who have taught for seven and fourteen years; stating, that the matter was referred to the Committee on Teachers, and by it referred to this Committee.

This Board has no jurisdiction in the matter of Inspectors approving or disapproving pay-rolls or other expenses for the Common Schools—their powers and duties being defined by the Statute Laws.

The Committee therefore ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the Committee on By-Laws, &c., be discharged from the further consideration of the communication from Jacob Fleischhauer, Inspector for the Seventh District, declining to sign the pay-rolls for his District for longevity pay to Primary Teachers.

J. EDWARD SIMMONS,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, &c.</i>
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom were referred applications from the Trustees of the Eighth and Sixteenth Wards, to excuse the absence of teachers, with full pay; stating, that the cause of absence in each case reported herein is personal illness.

A statement is submitted, showing the record of each applicant for the past five years.

The Committee recommend that the absences be excused, with full pay, for the time stated in the column "Time allowed," in the following resolution, which is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the following-named teachers be excused for absence, with full pay, for the "time allowed" herein :

WARD.	School.	Name.	Time Allowed.	Years of Service.	Instruction.	Discipline.	No. Days Lost.	Ex. with full pay.
8	F. D. 38	Sarah L. Frost.....	18 d. Nov.	20	{ Good ....4 y. }		36	33 d.
					{ Ex. ....1 y. Ex..... }			
16	G. D. 55	Jennie Caldwell....	1 "	30	{ Good ....2 y. }		26	12 d.
					{ Ex.....3 y. Ex..... }			
	P. D. 56	Jennie E. Archer...	4 "	24	Ex.....	Ex.....	10	....

DAVID WETMORE,
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,
EUGENE H. POMEROY,
WILLIAM WOOD,

}

Committee
on
Teachers.

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred on April 1st the application of the Trustees of the Third Ward to pay Mrs. Mary E. Tripp, Principal of P. S. No. 37, the salary prescribed for Principals of Primary Schools of fourteen years' standing; stating, that Mrs. Tripp was first appointed Principal of Colored School No. 6, in the Twelfth Ward, in 1863. This school was subsequently discontinued, and Mrs. Tripp was appointed Principal of Primary Department Colored School No. 2, in the Eighth Ward. On November 1, 1878, Colored School No. 2 was consolidated with Colored School No. 1, in the Fourteenth Ward, and Mrs. Tripp became Principal of Colored School No. 1, during which year she received the maximum salary of \$1,750. She remained in this school until September, 1883, when by reason of the average attendance of pupils being reduced to 43, this school was discontinued, and Mrs. Tripp by this action lost her position.

On October 17th, 1883, a vacancy occurring in the Principalship of Primary School No. 37, in the Third Ward, Mrs. Tripp was appointed to the vacant position at an annual salary of \$1,000, which she has been paid up to this date.

The average attendance of pupils in Primary School No. 37 is only 72, and the Committee do not feel warranted in recommending the payment of a salary of \$1,750 to a Principal of a school having such a small average attendance.

The Committee recommend that the application be denied, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the application of the Trustees of the Third Ward to pay Mrs. Mary E. Tripp, Principal of Primary School No. 37, the maximum salary be and the same is hereby denied.

DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
For presentation only,		
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		
For presentation only.	}	

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner WELCH presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, to whom was referred the application of the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward for two new pianos for Grammar School No. 82; stating, that this is a new school which will in all probability be organized before the close of the year.

The Committee recommend that the pianos be purchased, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the Committee on School Furniture be and they hereby are authorized to purchase two new pianos for Grammar School No. 82, at a cost not to exceed \$300 each, and old pianos to be used in the discretion of the Committee in part payment. The bills to be paid on the approval of the Committee.

W. J. WELCH,	}	<i>Committee on School Furniture.</i>
CHAS. L. HOLT,		
J. D. VERMILYE,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner WELCH presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture; stating, that they have received an application from the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward for the use of one of the pianos stored in the Hall of the Board, and which is not in use, for the Male Department No. 67.

The piano which belongs to M. D. No. 67 (formerly M. D. No. 28) is located in M. D. 28, where a large portion of the

school is accommodated, and there is no piano in G. S. No. 67 which can be used by the remaining portion of the school.

There are a number of old pianos stored in the Hall of the Board, and as the Committee believe they have no authority to loan one of them to M. D. No. 67, they report the matter to the Board, with the following resolution, which is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the Clerk of this Board be authorized to place temporarily in Male Department, Grammar School No. 67, one of the pianos now on storage in the Hall of the Board, to remain in M. D. No. 67 until such time as the building can be enlarged to accommodate all the pupils belonging to said department.

W. J. WELCH,	}	<i>Committee on School Furniture.</i>
CHAS. L. HOLT,		
J. D. VERMILYE,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, to fit up the playground of G. S. No. 78 for use of classes ; stating, that it is deemed inexpedient to grant the request of the Trustees.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the application of the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward to fit up the playground of Grammar School No. 78 for use of classes be and the same is hereby denied.

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
G. SCHWAB,		
DAVID WETMORE,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		

Laid over under the rule.

The PRESIDENT resumed the chair.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings ; to whom was referred the application from the

Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, to pay Eugene Odell \$42 for care of premises of G. S. No. 82; stating, that upon the completion of the building for G. S. No. 82, the Trustees employed Mr. Odell to take care of the premises from November 6 to the date of the appointment of a Janitor, November 20, at the rate of \$3 per day.

As it was necessary that some person should take charge of the property, the Committee recommend that the bill be paid, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That Mr. Eugene Odell be paid the sum of forty-two dollars (\$42), for taking care of the premises of Grammar School No. 82, from November 6 to 20, inclusive. To be paid from the appropriation for salaries of janitors.

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
G. SCHWAB,		
DAVID WETMORE,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the application from Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward to rehire the premises in Springhurst, occupied by Branch of P. S. No. 44 (formerly P. S. No. 33), for one year on the same terms as the lease now in force; stating, that the lease of these premises will expire on January 1, 1886. The Board is at present paying an annual rent for the same of \$144 per annum.

As the premises are required for school purposes, it is recommended that the application be granted, and the following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the School Trustees for the Twenty-third Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to rehire the premises at Springhurst, occupied by the Branch of Primary School No. 44 (formerly P. S. No. 33), for one year from January 1, 1886, at an annual rent of one hundred and forty-

four dollars. The other provisions of the lease applicable to be the same as those now in force.

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
G. SCHWAB,		
DAVID WETMORE,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom were referred the applications from the Trustees of the Ninth and Twenty-third Wards, to re-lease the following described premises :

Ninth Ward.—P. S. No. 7, No. 626 Washington street, from December 1, 1885, to March 1, 1886.

Twenty-Third Ward.—Branch G. D. No. 60, One Hundred and Forty-fourth street, near Third avenue, one year from February 1, 1886.

On the same terms as leases now in force ; stating, that in the lease of premises No. 626 Washington street, occupied by P. S. No. 7, which expired December 1st, it is stipulated that the Trustees shall have power to rehire the same from month to month, on the same terms as the lease now in force. These premises will be required until March 1st next, at which time it is expected that the new building in course of erection for this school will be ready for occupancy.

The lease of premises occupied by Branch of G. D. No. 60, for which the Board is at present paying an annual rent of \$750, will expire on February 1, 1886, and the premises will be required for another year from that date.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the School Trustees of the Ninth and Twenty-third Wards be, and they hereby are authorized to rehire the following described premises, to be used for school purposes, for the time and on the terms stated herein :

Ninth Ward.—P. S. 7, 626 Washington street, rent \$66.66 per month, from December 1, 1885, to March 1, 1886.

Twenty-third Ward.—Branch G. D. 60, premises on south side of One Hundred and Forty-fourth street near Third avenue, for one year from February 1, 1886, at an annual rent of \$750.

The other conditions of the respective leases to remain the same as those now in force.

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
G. SCHWAB,		
DAVID WETMORE,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
R. M. GAILLAWAY,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner POMEROY presented a report from the Committee on Sites and New Schools, to whom was referred the communication from the Corporation Counsel relative to a site for school purposes at Spuyten Duyvil; stating, that after consideration they deem it unadvisable to add the sum of \$244 to the purchase price, as indicated in the letter. The purchase of the site having been heretofore reconsidered (page 252) no action is necessary.

Resolved, That the Counsel to the Corporation be advised of the action of the Board in respect to this site.

EUGENE H. POMEROY,	}	<i>Committee on Sites and New Schools.</i>
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
G. SCHWAB,		
CHAS. L. HOLT,		

Commissioner SCHWAB asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner TRAUD presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools; stating, that they have had under consideration an application from the Trustees of the Twenty-first Ward, to excuse the absence of three teachers in the Evening School held in G. S. Building No. 49, for $1\frac{3}{4}$ (one three-quarters) hours each on November 12th, caused by attendance at the

investigation of the charges preferred by Miss Fitzgibbon against Miss Sara J. J. McCaffery, Principal of P. S. No. 16.

Inasmuch as your Committee has no power to excuse the absence of teachers under the provisions of sec. 109 of the by-laws, except in case of personal illness or death in the family, it is recommended that said by-law be suspended in the case of these teachers, and that the absence be excused.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That Misses Sara J. J. McCaffery, Principal, Maggie A. Kearney, and Margaret A. Thomson, teachers in the Evening School held in Grammar School No. 49, for one and three-quarter ($1\frac{3}{4}$) hours each on the night of November 12th, be excused, and that section 109 of the by-laws be suspended for the purposes of this resolution.

FERDINAND TRAUD, CHARLES CRARY, W. J. WELCH, R. M. GALLAWAY, HENRY SCHMITT,	}	<i>Committee</i> <i>on</i> <i>Evening Schools.</i>
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Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, requesting an additional appropriation of fifteen hundred and fifty-nine $\frac{1}{10}$ dollars (\$1,559.01), for the payment of the expense incurred under a conditional contract made with John McKim & Son, for the removal of earth, rock, &c., and for grading the school site on the southeast corner of Lexington avenue and East Ninety-sixth street; stating, that the original estimate for this work was 3,000 cubic yards of rock, at \$1.65 per yard, and 1,200 cubic yards of earth, at \$0.69 per yard, for which an appropriation was made of six thousand dollars (\$6,000). The certificate of Amerman & Ford, City Surveyors, now given, of the completed work, states that there have been excavated 2,234 cubic yards of earth, and 3,647 cubic yards of rock. It is

understood that this includes excavating for the cellars not originally contemplated, which makes the entire cost to be seven thousand five hundred and fifty-nine $\frac{1}{100}$ dollars (\$7,559.01); the excess is the sum now asked for. The Board has the ability to appropriate it, and a resolution authorizing such appropriation is submitted for adoption.

Resolved, That an additional sum of one thousand five hundred and fifty-nine $\frac{1}{100}$ dollars (\$1,559.01) be, and the same is hereby appropriated from the fund derived from the sale of School House Bonds for the final payment of the contract made by the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward with John McKim & Son, for the removal of earth, rock, and grading site on southeast corner of East Ninety-sixth street and Lexington avenue, dated the 11th day of July, 1885; payment to be made in accordance with the rules and regulations of this Board governing contract payments.

J. D. VERMILYE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
EUGENE KELLY,		
ISAAC BELL,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
DE WITT J. SELIGMAN,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Sites and New Schools, recommending the purchase of a lot of ground on the north side of East Fifty-first street, adjoining Grammar School building No. 18, in Nineteenth Ward; stating, that the Board has the financial ability to appropriate, for such purpose, the sum required, six thousand five hundred dollars (\$6,500), from the fund derived from the sale of School House Bonds.

The report of the Committee on Sites and New Schools is on pages 849, 850 of the Journal.

J. D. VERMILYE,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
EUGENE KELLY,		
ISAAC BELL,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
DE WITT J. SELIGMAN,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Normal College, recommending an appropriation of two hundred and forty-one $\frac{14}{100}$ dollars (\$241.14) for the payment of Thomas J. Tuomey, for bills rendered for sanitary work done at the Normal College buildings ; stating, that the Board has the financial ability to make the appropriation from the Reserve Fund.

The report of the Committee on Normal College is on pages 780, 781 of the Journal.

J. D. VERMILYE,	} <i>Finance Committee.</i>
EUGENE KELLY,	
ISAAC BELL,	
FERDINAND TRAUD,	
DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,	

Commissioner WOOD asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Normal College, found on page 781 of the Journal, in connection with this report of the Finance Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Traud, Vermilye, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—18.

Commissioner TRAUD presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, stating, that they have had under consideration an application from the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, to pay the Janitor of Evening Schools held in Grammar Schools Nos. 13 and 79, respectively, a salary of \$1.60 each per night, for the present term.

During the term of 1884 and 1885 a Male Evening School was held in G. S. No. 13, and the average attendance of pupils for the term was 552, thereby entitling for the Janitor, this term, had the school continued in that building, a salary of

\$1.60 per night, under the provisions of section 100 of the by-laws ; but it was not. For the present term, the Male School formerly held in G. S. No. 13 has been transferred to G. S. No. 79, and a Female School organized in G. S. No. 13.

The Trustees, in approving the pay roll, placed both Janitors at a salary of \$1.60 per night. The audit of these salaries at a greater sum than \$1.25 per night, is declined, as it is claimed that No. 13, organized this year, is a new school, with no average attendance for the last term, and the school formerly held in G. S. No. 13 has been organized in G. S. No. 79.

The teachers in No. 79 are the same, and there was an average attendance of 552 pupils during the last term, but under the by-law, this school not being held "in the same building," it is assumed the Janitor cannot be paid any more than the minimum salary per night, without the authority of the Board.

The Committee have carefully considered the matter, and inasmuch as No. 13 is a new school, and No. 79 is an old school, in a new building, with an average attendance during the past week of 460 pupils, it is recommended that the application, so far as it relates to Evening School No. 13, be denied, and that the application for No. 79 be granted.

The following resolutions are submitted for adoption:

Resolved, That the salary of the Janitor of the Evening School held in Grammar School No. 79 be fixed at the sum of \$1.60 per night for the term of 1885 and 1886, and that the provisions of section 100 of the by-laws be suspended for the purpose of this resolution.

Resolved, That the application to pay the Janitor of the Evening School held in Grammar School No. 13 the sum of \$1.60 per night be, and the same is hereby denied.

FERDINAND TRAUD,	}	<i>Committee on Evening Schools.</i>
CHARLES CRARY,		
W. J. WELCH,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		
HENRY SCHMITT,		

Laid over under the rule.

Commissioner SELIGMAN presented a report from the Committee on Supplies ; stating, that in pursuance of the resolution of the Board, adopted November 4th (page 742 of the Journal), an advertisement was inserted in the *City Record*, for the period of two weeks, in response to which seventy-nine (79) proposals were received for the supplies required, and the Committee have conditionally awarded contracts to be submitted to the Board for approval—in all cases, the quality of the samples being duly considered, to the lowest bidder.

A statement of the awards is hereto annexed, and forms part of this report.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the award of contracts made by the Committee on Supplies and herewith submitted, for books, stationery, and other articles, required for the use of the schools under the jurisdiction of this Board, during the year 1886, be, and the same are hereby confirmed, and that said contracts shall continue in full force and effect, until the first day of January, 1887.

DE WITT J. SELIGMAN,	} Committee on Supplies.
DAVID WETMORE,	
CHAS. L. HOLT,	
HENRY SCHMITT,	

Commissioner SELIGMAN asked and obtained unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Commissioner WOOD—

The Board adjourned.

JOHN DAVENPORT,

Acting Clerk.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1885.

ADJOURNED SESSION.

Present—STEPHEN A. WALKER, Esq., President, and Commissioners BELL, CRARY, CRAWFORD, DEVOE, GALLAWAY, HOLT, PERKINS, POMEROY, SCHMITT, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, SIMMONS, TAMSEN, TRAUD, WELCH, WETMORE and WOOD—18.

Absent—Commissioners KELLY, VERMILYE and WALLACE—3.

The PRESIDENT announced for consideration the minutes of the last session, and put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the session held on December 16th, as printed in the Journal, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners BELL, CRARY, CRAWFORD, DEVOE, GALLAWAY, HOLT, PERKINS, POMEROY, SCHWAB, SELIGMAN, SIMMONS, TAMSEN, TRAUD, WETMORE and WOOD—16.

COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communications :

From the Trustees of the First, Seventh, Eighth, Tenth, Twelfth, Fourteenth, Fifteenth, Sixteenth, Seventeenth, Eighteenth, Twentieth and Twenty-third Wards, to excuse absence of teachers, &c.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power conferred by the by-laws.

From the Trustees of the Fifth Ward, endorsing and transmitting the application of Janitors for increase of salaries.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, relative to salaries of teachers.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, for authority to purchase the premises No. 122 Henry street, for G. S. No. 2.

Referred to the Committee on Sites and New Schools.

From the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, asking for a new boiler in G. S. building No. 22.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

From the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, to purchase a new site for P. S. No. 3, adjoining said building, or Nos. 91 to 97 Lewis street.

Referred to the Committee on Sites and New Schools.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, for a suspension of the by-laws to pay John Spence for work done in G. S. No. 72, in 1883, amounting to \$11.64.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, to hire accommodations in Parepa Hall for Branch of G. S. No. 37.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, for authority to hire the premises Nos. 263 and 265 West One Hundred and Twenty-fourth street, for a Primary School.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, for authority to fit

up premises on One Hundred and Twenty-fourth street, for a Primary School.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, for authority to fit up the premises on One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street near Eighth avenue, for a Primary School.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, to discontinue P. S. No. 30, and organize it as a Branch of P. D. G. S. No. 83, the teacher to be appointed at the same salary as now paid.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking that Mrs. Kate McDermot be paid for registering, &c., in Evening School No. 39.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, endorsing and transmitting the application of Janitors for increase of salary.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, notifying the Board of the sale of lot proposed to be purchased for G. S. No. 18 in East Fifty-first street.

Ordered, That said communication be placed on file.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, for the purchase of an ozone machine for testing purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Supplies.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, for authority to advertise for proposals to erect a school building in West Fiftieth street.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, appointing Mrs. Mary Gaffney Janitrix of Branch of P. S. No. 44.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, for authority to advertise for proposals for building on the site at High Bridge.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, for authority to advertise proposals for erecting a new building in One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street near Willis avenue.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from A. M. Lee, Vice-Principal of G. S. No. 22, relative to the petition from Vice-Principals in the matter of salaries.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

COUNSEL TO THE BOARD.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication transmitting the opinion of the Justices of the Superior Court, in the matter of Miss Rachel S. Gorlitz *vs.* the Board of Education, as follows :

106 BROADWAY,
December 28, 1885. }

Hon. STEPHEN A. WALKER, *President of the Board of Education :*

SIR—I herewith transmit a copy of the opinion of the General Term of the Superior Court, delivered by Chief Judge Sedgwick and concurred in by Judges Van Vorst and Freedman, in the case of *The People ex rel. Rachel S. Gorlitz v. The Board of Education.*

The relator, Miss Gorlitz, was an assistant teacher in the Primary Department of Grammar School No. 25, located in the Seventeenth Ward.

On the 29th day of December, 1884, the Trustees of that Ward, under the provisions of § 1040 of the Consolidation Act, requested the City Superintendent to re-examine Miss Gorlitz as to her qualifications as a teacher. She refused to submit to such re-examination, and on the 15th day of April, 1885, the City Superintendent sent a communication to the Board recommending her removal. This communication was referred to the Committee on Teachers. The Committee gave Miss Gorlitz an opportunity to be heard, but she appeared only by counsel, who stated that she refused to submit to the re-examination ; and the Committee then reported the facts to the Board and recommended her removal.

The report of the Committee was fully considered by the Board at two meetings, and on the 3d day of June, 1885, the Board adopted a resolution removing Miss Gorlitz from her position as such assistant teacher, by a vote of more than three-fourths of all the members of the Board, under the power conferred by § 1042 of the Consolidation Act.

In August last Miss Gorlitz obtained from the Superior Court a writ of *certiorari* to review the proceedings in regard to her removal, to which a return was made, on behalf of the Board, setting forth all the facts.

A hearing of the case was had before the General Term of the Court in November last, upon the papers, arguments and points presented ; and the decision now rendered fully sustains the view taken on behalf of the Board as to the power of removal conferred by the provisions of said § 1042 of the act.

The importance of this decision, by the able judges composing the General Term of the Court, as a judicial determination in regard to the exercise of that power, is apparent.

Very respectfully,

R. G. BEARDSLEE.

SUPERIOR COURT—GENERAL TERM.

THE PEOPLE EX REL RACHEL S.
GORLITZ

AG'ST.

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE
CITY OF NEW YORK.

Before SEDGWICK, VAN VORST and FREEDMAN, *J.J.*,

NOVEMBER, 1885.

Hearing upon the return to a writ of *certiorari* issued to review the proceedings of the Board of Education of the City of New York, whereby the relator was removed as a teacher in the public schools of the city.

Mr. BENNO LOEWY, for Relator.

Mr. R. G. BEARDSLEE, for Respondent.

SEDGWICK, *J.*—The relator was a teacher in a public school of this city, and was removed from her place as teacher by a vote of three-fourths of all the members of the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the City Superintendent. The objection to this removal is made, that it was without cause, or at least sufficient cause.

The respondent maintains the legality of the removal under Section 1042 of the Consolidation Act, Laws of 1882, Ch. 410, which is, "Any teacher may be removed by the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the City Superintendent," &c., "but only by a vote of three-fourths of all the members of the said Board."

That the construction of this statute is that the removal may be without cause asserted or shown or opportunity to be heard against the removal, is, if authority were needed, determined by *People ex rel. Gere v. Whitlock*, 92 N. Y., 191.

In that case the statute, § 1, Ch. 559, Laws of 1881, declared, "The Mayor of said city is hereby also authorized to remove from office any Commissioner of said department, for any cause sufficient to himself, but he shall forthwith make and transmit to the Common Council of said City," &c., "a statement in writing," &c., "of his reasons for such removal." The Court said that the power of removal was expressly conferred upon the Mayor to be exercised as to him shall seem meet. "In the People *ex rel.* The Mayor *v.* Nichols, 79 N. Y., 582, the statute requires not only that cause for removal should exist, but also that the officer should have an opportunity to be heard. The statute before us lacks both conditions. No opportunity to be heard is given, and it is enough if the Mayor thinks there is sufficient cause. It may or may not exist, except in his imagination, but his conclusion is final." In the opinion, People *ex rel.* Sims *v.* Board of Fire Commissioners, &c., is referred to.

In conformity with the terms of the act, the City Superintendent recommended the removal. The act did not require him to give a reason for the recommendation, or for the proposed removal. He did give a reason, that is, the insubordination of the teacher. But by the act, he was, so far as his recommendation was concerned, the sole judge of the existence of the facts which constituted, in his judgment, insubordination, and of their sufficiency to induce him to make the recommendation. The Board was not necessarily to act, in removing, upon the reason the City Superintendent gave. They might or might not get, in any way, information as to the validity of the reason assigned. Any step they might take in appointing a Committee was entirely for their own guidance. The action of the Committee and the action of the Board upon the report do not furnish any matter for review. For the vote of three-fourths incontrovertibly shows that there was a removal as provided by the act.

The determination reviewed is confirmed, with costs.

Opinion by Sedgwick, Chief Judge, concurred in by Hon.

Hooper C. Van Vorst and Hon. John J. Freedman, Associate Judges.

THOS. BOESE,
Clerk.

A Copy.

Ordered, That said communication and opinion be entered in full in the minutes.

RESOLUTIONS TO BE REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Commissioner DEVOE offered the following :

Resolved, That a sufficient number of draughtsmen be employed by this Board under the direction of the Committee on Buildings and Superintendent of School Buildings, to prepare promptly the plans for buildings to be authorized by this Board, such employment to continue as long as required, not beyond April 1, 1886, and at an expense not exceeding \$500 per month, to be paid from the Reserve Fund.

Adopted.

Commissioner WOOD offered the following :

Mr. PRESIDENT—We part officially this evening with three of our members, from all of whom we shall separate with regret.

Since 1875 I have been associated in this Board with Mr. EUGENE KELLY, who has himself been a member of it for two years longer, and I have often wondered that with his extensive financial operations as a banker, he could find any time to bestow upon his duties as a Commissioner of Common Schools. As one of the Committee on Teachers, he has taken a deep interest in the welfare of teachers, and as a member of the Committee on Nomination of Trustees, he has ever been anxious to select reputable men for that important office, and it has been well for the Board to have his practical experience as a banker,

in the Finance Committee, and in these times of fraud we are proud to know that we have one whose

“ Eyes even turned on empty space,
Beams bright with honor.”

We shall particularly miss the thorough practical knowledge and liberal views, with regard to all school matters, of Commissioner POMEROY, and his lucid expositions of and thorough acquaintance with all matters which have become subjects of debate in this Board.

The genial kindness of Dr. WALLACE has won the affection of all of us, and his experience as a teacher has given him power to appreciate and explain to the Board the troubles and trials of that class to which he once belonged, and which continues to command all his sympathies, and enables him to win for it the kindest feelings of his associates in the Board.

Mr. PRESIDENT, I move that these short remarks be adopted as the expression of the continuing members of the Board on this occasion, and be entered in the Journal accordingly.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the minute offered by Commissioner WOOD, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WOOD offered the following :

Resolved, That the thanks of this Board are hereby tendered to LAWRENCE D. KIERNAN, Esq., the Clerk of this Board, for the zealous and thoroughly intelligent manner in which he has discharged the important duties of his office, until compelled by sickness to seek a change of climate. His absence and its cause are deeply regretted by all of us, and his usefulness, if possible, more fully appreciated than ever. We trust that a kind Providence will in due time restore him in sound health to the office which he has for many years filled so admirably.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner POMEROY moved that the Fifteenth Rule of Order be suspended during this meeting of the Board.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Wetmore and Wood—14.

Nays—Commissioners Crary, Schmitt and Traud—3.

REPORTS LAID OVER UNDER THE RULE.

The PRESIDENT announced for consideration the report of the Committee on By-Laws, &c., adverse to an amendment of the by-laws so as to provide for the closing of schools or departments on the day of the funeral of a Principal, Journal, p. 844.

Commissioner TAMSEN moved the adoption of the resolution offered by him, found on page 790 of the Journal.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution offered by Commissioner TAMSEN, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Bell, Crary, Perkins, Schmitt, Schwab and Tamsen—6.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Seligman, Simmons, Traud, Wetmore and Wood—11.

Laid over.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on By-Laws, &c., to be discharged from the consideration of an amendment to the by-laws with reference to the subjects in which a teacher shall be re-examined, &c., Journal, pp. 844, 845.

On motion of Commissioner CRARY, said report was laid on the table, to be taken up after the consideration of other business.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on

By-Laws, &c., to be discharged from consideration of the communication from Inspector Fleischhauer, declining to sign pay-rolls for "longevity pay" for Primary Teachers, Journal, pp. 870, 871.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, to excuse absence of teachers, with full pay, Journal, pp. 871, 872.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wetmore and Wood—17.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Teachers, adverse to paying Mrs. Mary E. Tripp, Principal of P. S. No. 37, the maximum salary, Journal, pp. 872, 873.

Commissioner WOOD moved to amend the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, by striking out the word "denied" and inserting the word "granted."

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Bell, Crary, Perkins, Simmons, Tamsen, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—8.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman and Traud—10.

Commissioner SCHMITT asked to be, but was not excused from voting.

Commissioner SCHMITT moved that the report be laid over until the next meeting of the Board.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would

agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, a majority not voting therefor, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Bell, Crary, Perkins, Schmitt, Simmons, Tamsen, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—9.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Pomeroy, Schwab, Seligman and Traud—9.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on School Furniture, for the purchase of pianos for G. S. No. 82, Journal, p. 873.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on School Furniture, recommending the placing of a piano for temporary use in M. D. G. S. No. 67, Journal, pp. 873, 874.

Adopted.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Buildings, denying the application of Trustees of Twelfth Ward to fit up the play ground of G. S. No. 78 for use of classes, Journal, p. 874.

Commissioner SCHMITT moved that the report be laid over and retain its place on the schedule.

Which was lost.

Commissioner SCHMITT moved that the report be laid on the table.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—18.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Buildings, to pay Eugene Odell \$42 for care of premises G. S. No. 82 from November 6 to November 20, inclusive, Journal, pp. 874, 875.

Commissioner DEVOE moved that the resolution be amended by striking out "November 6 to 20 inclusive," and inserting "October 31 to November 14."

Which was adopted.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Buildings, to rehire the premises at Springhurst, occupied by Branch P. S. No. 44, Journal, pp. 875, 876.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—18.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Buildings, authorizing the Trustees of Ninth Ward to rehire No. 626 Washington street, and Trustees of Twenty-third Ward to rehire premises for Branch G. D. No. 60 on One Hundred and Forty-fourth street, Journal, pp. 876, 877.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—18.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Finance Com-

mittee, on the financial ability to pay \$1,559.01 additional on contract to excavate the site on southeast corner of Ninety-sixth street and Lexington avenue, Journal, pp. 878, 879.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—17.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Finance Committee, on the financial ability to pay \$6,500 for the purchase of a lot adjoining G. S. No. 18, in East Fifty-first street, Journal, p. 879.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—18.

The PRESIDENT announced the report of the Committee on Evening Schools, determining the pay to be allowed the Janitors of Female Evening School No. 13, and Male Evening School No. 79, Journal, pp. 880, 881.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

Commissioner CRARY moved that the report on the re-examination of teachers (pages 844, 845, 892), be taken from the table.

Which was adopted.

Commissioner CRARY moved that the resolution offered by him, Journal, p. 790, be substituted for the resolution attached to the report of the Committee.

Commissioner SCHMITT moved that Commissioner Crary's resolution be laid over, and retain its place on the schedule.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, a majority not voting therefor, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crary, Devoe, Gallaway, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen and Welch—9.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Traud, Wetmore and Wood—9.

Commissioner SCHMITT moved that the resolution be laid over until the second meeting in January, and retain its place on the schedule.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crary, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen and Welch—10.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Perkins, Pomeroy, Traud, Wetmore and Wood—8.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Commissioner SCHWAB presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation ; stating, that the Board has authorized the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward to advertise for proposals for heating apparatus required for the addition in course of erection to Grammar School No. 43. In order to secure the necessary funds, it is recommended that a sufficient sum, \$8,500, be appropriated, set apart and reserved from the funds of 1885 for doing this work, and the following resolution is submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the sum of eight thousand five hundred dollars (\$8,500) be, and the same is hereby appropriated, reserved, and set apart from the funds of 1885, to be expended hereafter in placing a steam heating apparatus in the addition

in course of erection to Grammar School No. 43, to be hereafter contracted for.

GUSTAV SCHWAB,	}	<i>Committee on Warming and Ventilation.</i>
W. J. WELCH,		
F. W. DEVOR,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		
HENRY SCHMITT,		

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner SCHWAB presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, for a new steam boiler for Grammar School No. 22; stating, that one of the steam boilers in Grammar School No. 22 is worn out, and should be replaced with a new one without delay.

The Committee recommend that the Trustees be authorized to advertise for proposals for doing this work, and also that the sum of \$850 be appropriated, reserved and set apart from the funds of 1885 for the purpose.

The following resolutions are submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the School Trustees for the Eleventh Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to advertise in the *City Record* for two weeks for proposals for a new steam boiler for Grammar School building No. 22. Plans and specifications to be prepared by the engineer and approved by the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, and Trustees of the Eleventh Ward.

Resolved, That the sum of eight hundred and fifty dollars (\$850) be, and the same is hereby appropriated, reserved and set apart from the funds of 1885, to be expended hereafter in furnishing a new steam boiler for Grammar School building No. 22, to be hereafter contracted for.

GUSTAV SCHWAB,	}	<i>Committee on Warming and Ventilation.</i>
F. W. DEVOR,		
W. J. WELCH,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would

adopt the first resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The second resolution was referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented a report from the Auditing Committee; stating, that they have examined the accompanying bills, and believing the items thereof to be correct, and the charges reasonable, recommend their payment by the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the following named bills be, and they hereby are approved for payment:

Amerman & Ford, survey of rear line of property, Third avenue, between 169th and 170th streets, Oct. 27, 1885.....	\$10 00
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F. Ehrhart, disconnecting, testing and resetting gas meter, at Primary School No 1, Nov. 30, 1885.....	3 50
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Amerman & Ford, survey of earth surface of six lots of ground, &c., S. E. corner of Lexington avenue and 96th street, May 5 and 6, June 3, July 31, August 10 and 14, Sept. 14, Oct. 22, and Nov. 11, 1885.	170 00
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James Watson, serving morning papers, July 6 to Dec. 31, 1885.....	20 82
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J. S. Babcock, 50 Truant Officers' Books, 25 Truant Agents' Records, one Record of Absence of Teachers, one Monthly Statistic Record for City Superintendent's Office, Dec. 11, 1885	\$101 25
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J. S. Babcock, one book, Teachers allowed and salaries, one book Vouchers sent to Comptroller, one book Payments for Salaries, one Guard Book, Salary Schedules, Appoint-	
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ments, Transfers, &c., one book Incidentals and Buildings Contingent Fund, one book Vouchers filed with Comptroller for Clerk's Office, Dec. 11, 1885.....	\$77 25	
J. S. Babcock, two Requisition Books, one book Tariff of Supplies. for Clerk's Office, Dec. 11, 1885... ..	48 50	
	<hr/>	\$227 00
The Evening Post Job Printing Office, Printing Minutes of Nov. 4 and 18, Miscellaneous Blanks, &c., Nov. 9, 13, 14, 16, 18, 1885. ...		293 02
Wm. Oland Bourne, postage and incidental expenses, Office, &c., Board of Education, Dec. 1 to 29, 1885.....		80 83
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HENRY SCHMITT,	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
ISAAC BELL,	
DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner SCHMITT presented a report from the Auditing Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking for the payment of the bills of Charles G. Davis, M. D., and Wm. H. Ross, M. D., for professional services rendered Agnes Farrell and Frank Nevins, pupils of Primary Department Grammar Schools Nos. 78 and 68, amounting to \$5 and \$2, respectively, respectfully report: That on October 26, 1885, Agnes Farrell was seized with an epileptic fit, and on November 18, 1885, Frank Nevins was taken suddenly ill. The Principals of the schools being unable to obtain the services of Police Surgeons, as required by section 129 of the by-laws, employed Doctors Davis and Ross to take charge of the cases.

The Committee recommend that the bills be paid, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That Doctors Charles G. Davis and Wm. H. Ross be paid the sum of five and two dollars (\$5 and \$2), respectively, from the Incidental Expense Account of the Board of Education, for professional services rendered to Agnes Farrell and Frank Nevins, pupils of Primary Department Grammar Schools Nos. 78 and 68, on October 26 and November 18, 1885, in accordance with section 129 of the by-laws.

HENRY SCHMITT,	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
ISAAC BELL,	
DEWITT J. SELIGMAN,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WOOD presented a report from the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, to whom was referred the communication of N. J. De Galles, relative to his method of teaching languages, drawing, &c.; stating, that they have given the matter a careful consideration, but do not think it expedient to adopt the method of Mr. De Galles at the present time, and offer for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee on Course of Study and School Books be discharged from the further consideration of the communication of N. J. De Galles relative to his method of teaching languages, &c.

WILLIAM WOOD,	} <i>Committee on Course of Study, &c.</i>
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	
CHARLES CRARY,	

Adopted.

Commissioner SELIGMAN presented a report from the Committee on Supplies ; stating, that owing to the large demand which will be made by the schools immediately after their opening in January next, the proposed orders for supplies to

enable prompt deliveries to be made, will exceed in cost about ten thousand dollars the appropriation for Depository ; and as the appropriation for fuel will show a large credit balance, owing to the prices of same being less than expected, the Committee ask that the sum named be transferred therefrom to the appropriation for supplies, and submit for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of ten thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby transferred from the appropriation for Fuel to the appropriation for Supplies.

DE WITT J. SELIGMAN,	}	<i>Comm.tee on Supplies.</i>
DAVID WETMORE,		
HENRY SCHMITT,		
H. B. PERKINS,		
CHAS. L. HOLT,		

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the application from Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward to appoint a Janitor for Branch of P. S. No. 44 (formerly P. S. No. 33), from January 1, 1886, at an annual salary of \$156 ; stating, that the branch of P. S. No. 44 is at present P. S. No. 33, which school has been recently organized as said Branch, to take effect January 1, 1886, and this application is made to continue the appointment of the Janitrix.

The Committee recommend that the application be granted, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the School Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward be, and they hereby are, authorized to employ a Janitrix for the branch of Primary School No. 44, located at Springhurst, from January 1st, 1886, at an annual salary of \$156.

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
G. SCHWAB,		
DAVID WETMORE,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		

Adopted. .

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the application of the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, for a pump and tank for Grammar School No. 31; stating, that it is very necessary that a pump and tank should be placed in this school for the purpose of supplying water in the upper part of the building. As the expense for doing this work will exceed \$200, the Committee recommend that the Trustees be authorized to advertise for proposals, and also that the sum of \$400 of the funds of 1885 be appropriated for this purpose.

The following resolutions are submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the School Trustees of the Seventh Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to advertise in the *City Record* for two weeks for proposals for supplying a pump and tank for Grammar School No. 31. Plans and specifications to be prepared by the engineer and approved by the Trustees of the Seventh Ward and Committee on Buildings.

Resolved, That the sum of four hundred dollars (\$400) be, and the same is hereby appropriated, reserved and set apart from the funds of 1885, to be expended hereafter in furnishing a pump and tank for Grammar School No. 31, to be hereafter contracted for.

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee</i>
G. SCHWAB,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		
DAVID WETMORE,		
		<i>on</i>
		<i>Buildings.</i>

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the first resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The second resolution was referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the application from female pupils of Grammar School No. 22, for use of a room in the school building for a literary society; recommending that the application be denied.

Resolved, That the application of female pupils of Grammar School No. 22, for use of a room in Grammar School No. 22, for a literary society be, and the same is hereby denied.

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
G. SCHAWB,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		
DAVID WETMORE,		

Adopted.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward to hire premises on One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street near Eighth avenue ; stating, that until a new building can be erected on the lots recently purchased, corner of One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street and Sixth avenue, it is necessary that temporary accommodation should be provided for the Primary pupils in this section of the Twelfth Ward.

The premises proposed to be hired are located on the south side of One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street, one hundred feet east of Eighth avenue, the rent being \$3,000 per year for two years. The building is one story in height, size about 100x100 feet, and can be made to accommodate eight or nine classes. To furnish, fit up, alter and heat the premises will require an expenditure of about \$5,000.

. It is proposed to hire the premises for Primary School purposes, the school to be transferred to the new building corner of One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street and Sixth avenue, when erected.

The Committee recommend that the application to hire be granted ; that the Trustees be authorized to advertise for proposals for altering, furnishing, fitting up, heating, &c., the building, and that \$5,000 of the funds of 1885 be appropriated, reserved and set apart for this purpose.

The following resolutions are submitted for adoption :

Resolved, That the School Trustees for the Twelfth Ward be,

and they hereby are authorized to hire the premises on the south side of One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street, one hundred feet east of Eighth avenue, for two years from February 1, 1886, at an annual rent of three thousand dollars (\$3,000), with privilege of renewal for one year, to be used for Primary School purposes. The lease not to be executed until the Board of Health shall have pronounced the building to be in a satisfactory sanitary condition, and the Bureau of Buildings of the Fire Department shall have pronounced the means of egress for pupils amply sufficient in case of sudden emergency.

Resolved, That the School Trustees of the Twelfth Ward be, and they hereby are authorized to advertise in the *City Record* for two weeks, for proposals for altering, furnishing, fitting up, heating, &c., the premises authorized to be hired by the foregoing resolution. Plans and specifications to be prepared and approved in the usual manner.

Resolved, That the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) be, and the same is hereby appropriated, reserved and set apart from the funds of 1885 for altering, furnishing, fitting up and heating the premises on south side of One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street, one hundred feet east of Eighth avenue, authorized to be hired this date for school purposes, to be paid upon contracts being subsequently made and approved by this Board.

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
G. SCHWAB,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		
DAVID WETMORE,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the first and second resolutions attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—18.

The third resolution was referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward to pay the Janitor of Branch of G. D. No. 60 an annual salary of \$442, instead of \$234 per annum, as now authorized ; stating, that in pursuance of authority conferred by this Board the Trustees have assigned the Janitor of Primary Department No. 60 to take charge of the Branch of Grammar Department No. 60.

In the opinion of the Committee, the Janitor of P. D. No. 60 cannot properly perform the duty of both positions, as the buildings are distant from each other, and require at all times the attention of a competent person in each.

The Committee recommend that the Trustees make application to this Board for the appointment of a Janitor to said Branch, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the Committee on Buildings be discharged from further consideration of the application of the Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward to pay the Janitor in charge of the Branch of Grammar Department No. 60, an annual salary of \$442, and that said Trustees be requested to make application for the appointment of a permanent Janitor for said Branch.

F. W. DEVOE,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
G. SCHWAB,		
DAVID WETMORE,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
R. M. GALLAWAY,		

Adopted.

Commissioner DEVOE presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward to hire two brick buildings on Pleasant avenue, adjoining the north side of Grammar School No. 78 ; stating, that the Trustees having rehired the premises at present occupied by the Branch of Grammar School No. 78, it is not necessary that these additional buildings should be hired.

The Committee recommend that the application be denied, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the application of the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward to hire two buildings adjoining the north side of Grammar School No. 78, be and the same is hereby denied.

F. W. DEVOE,	} Committee on Buildings.
G. SCHWAB,	
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	
R. M. GALLAWAY,	
DAVID WETMORE,	

Adopted.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was recommitted the report adverse to transferring Grammar classes in Primary School No. 16 to Grammar Schools Nos. 14 and 49; stating, that upon a re-examination of the facts in the case, they find no reason to recede from the statements made in their report presented November 18th, and found in the Journal, pp. 789, 790.

Trustee Anderson, of the Twenty-first Ward, has stated to the Committee that, in his judgment, it would be decidedly wrong to transfer pupils from a school in which there was sufficient class-room accommodation to schools where it would be necessary to have them taught in the assembly room.

The Committee again submit the resolution heretofore presented, and recommend its adoption :

Resolved, That the Committee on Teachers be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution in relation to the transfer of the Grammar Grade pupils in Primary School No. 16 to Grammar Departments Nos. 14 and 49.

DAVID WETMORE,	} Committee on Teachers.
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	
WILLIAM WOOD,	

Commissioner TAMSEN moved that said report be laid over. Which was lost.

Commissioner TAMSEN moved to strike out all after the word "Resolved," in his previous resolution, and insert so as to read as follows :

Resolved, That the Grammar Grade pupils in Primary School No. 16 be transferred to Grammar Departments Nos. 14 and 49, after the next promotions shall have taken place.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Bell, Crary, Tamsen, Traud and Welch—5.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Wetmore and Wood—13.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the application of the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward to pay Miss Sarah E. Coley, Principal of Primary Department Grammar School No. 45, the maximum salary; stating, that Miss Coley will have completed her fourteen years of service as such Principal on January 1, 1886, and the record of her Department for the past five years is "excellent."

The Committee therefore recommend that the application be granted, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That Miss Sarah E. Coley, Principal of Primary Department Grammar School No. 45, be paid the salary prescribed in section 35, subdivision 4, of the by-laws for Principals of fourteen years' standing in Primary Departments and Schools, to take effect on and after January 1, 1886.

DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—18.

Commissioner WETMORE presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Tenth Ward, nominating Miss Josephine E. Rogers as Principal of Primary Department Grammar School No. 75; stating, that G. S. No. 75 was organized so as to consist of a Grammar and Primary Department, with one Principal in charge of both.

Since that time (1882), however, seven other schools resembling No. 75 in almost every respect, have been organized; but they all have two Principals, one for each Department. At the present time, so far as supervision is concerned, No. 75 is unlike any other school under the jurisdiction of the Board.

Moreover, the reports from No. 75 show a daily attendance of nearly 1,500 pupils, arranged in thirty classes, with thirty class teachers in charge. The supervision of the school is, consequently, a task more arduous than that imposed upon any other Principal in the system.

In view of the foregoing facts the action of the Trustees in nominating a Principal for the Primary Department No. 75 seems to be wise, and the Committee offer for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That Miss Josephine A. Rogers, nominated by the Trustees of the Tenth Ward for the position of Principal of the Primary Department of Grammar School No. 75, she having (as appears from the annexed certificate of the City Superintendent) the requisite qualifications, be and she hereby is appointed to said position, from the date of commencement of service subsequent to the passage of this resolution.

DAVID WETMORE,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		

Commissioner SCHMITT moved that said report be laid over and to retain its place on the schedule.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Welch and Wetmore—16.

Nays—Commissioners Holt and Wood—2.

Commissioner SIMMONS presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, submitting amendments to section 33 of the By-Laws, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Committee on By-laws, &c., to whom was recommitted their report with reference to amendments to the By-laws covering the employment of substitutes in vacancies occasioned by the death of teachers or otherwise (page 836 of Journal), have given further consideration to the subject; and while adhering to the previous report and the amendments therein proposed, find that other portions of the section to which that amendment referred need further amendment to clearly express the purposes of the Committee, as heretofore indicated upon the motion to recommit.

They therefore offer for adoption the following resolutions :

Resolved, That the By-laws of this Board be amended by amending sec. 33, paragraphs 7, 8 and 9 ; pages 103, 104, 105 and 106, so as to read as follows :

Absences of Teachers—How excused—Employment of Substitutes.

7. Any teacher absent from duty shall report promptly in writing to the Principal of the school the cause of such absence, and state its probable duration, and any teacher willfully making a false report shall thereby forfeit his or her position, and it shall be the duty of the Principal

to report, without delay, all absences of teachers in his or her school to the Board of Trustees, with a statement of the cause of each absence as far as known. No subordinate teacher, absent from duty, who fails to communicate promptly with the Principal shall be excused for such absence, nor shall any teacher's absence be excused except upon a report thereon by the Principal to the Board of Trustees of the Ward.

8. No teacher shall be excused, either with full pay or with part pay, by any Board of Trustees, for absence from duty for a longer period than two school days in any one month, nor unless such absence has been caused by the teacher's illness or by death in the family of which the teacher is a member. The Board of Trustees of any Ward may, however, permit any Principal therein, who may apply for permission, to absent himself or herself, from his or her department or school, without loss of pay, for a period not exceeding three days in any one year, for the purpose of visiting other schools in the city, but such absence shall be reported, as required by the preceding subdivision.

9. Application may be made by any Board of Trustees to the Committee on Teachers to excuse the absence of a teacher from duty with part pay, and the Committee on Teachers shall have power to grant such excuse. The absence of any regular teacher may also be excused by the Committee on Teachers with full pay, on application of the Trustees, when such absence is caused by or on account of contagious disease.

The absence of a teacher may also be excused by the Board of Education with full pay, on the application of a Board of Trustees certifying that the absence is caused by the teacher's personal illness. No such application shall be granted unless in the case of a teacher whose record shall show a meritorious service for five years. Such application shall be referred to the Committee on

Teachers, who shall examine the case and report thereon to the Board. No such absences of any teacher shall be excused with full pay for a longer period than three months in the aggregate.

No absence shall be excused either with part pay or with full pay without the employment by the Trustees of a licensed teacher as substitute when necessary to provide that no class shall be left without instruction ; and any teacher excused with part pay, either by the Committee on Teachers or by the Trustees, shall forfeit towards the substitute's pay an amount not exceeding one-half of the salary for the time lost.

In case of a vacancy occurring by the death, resignation, removal or marriage of a teacher, by which a class is left without instruction, a licensed teacher as substitute, may be employed to instruct said class until and including the day of the next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Ward in which such vacancy occurs, but no longer.

Resolved, That sec. 33, sub. 1 (on page 97), be amended by adding thereto after the word " Board " as follows :

Any female teacher marrying, shall report in writing her married name and address to the Clerk of this Board and Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Ward in which she is employed.

J. EDWARD SIMMONS,	} Committee on By-Laws, &c.
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	
WILLIAM WOOD,	
FERDINAND TRAUD,	

Commissioner SCHMITT moved to amend by striking out the word "two" in the third line of subdivision 8, and inserting "one."

Commissioner TAMSEN moved that the report be laid over to the next meeting of the Board.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crary, Crawford, Schmitt and Tamsen—4.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Traud, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—14.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Commissioner SCHMITT, to amend subdivision 8, and it was decided in the negative, as follows:

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioner Schmitt—2.

Nays—Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—16.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Traud, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—16.

Nays—Commissioners Crary and Tamsen—2.

Commissioner SIMMONS presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, &c., to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Evening Schools, suspending section 100 of the by-laws, and paying the Janitor of Evening School No. 79 a salary of \$1.60 per night for the term of 1885 and 1886; recommending that the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Evening Schools, found on Journal, p. 881, be adopted.

J. EDWARD SIMMONS,	} Committee on By-Laws, etc.
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,	
EUGENE H. POMEROY,	
FERDINAND TRAUD,	
WILLIAM WOOD,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Evening Schools, Journal, p. 881, in connection with this report of the Committee on By-Laws, &c., and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Craw-

ford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—18.

Commissioner SIMMONS presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Evening Schools, suspending section 109 of the by-laws, and excusing the absence of the Principal and two Teachers in the Evening School held in Grammar School No. 49, for one and three-quarter hours each, on November 12th (Journal, pp. 877, 878); recommending the adoption of the resolution attached to the report of said Committee.

J. EDWARD SIMMONS,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, &c.</i>
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Evening Schools, Journal, pp. 877, 878, in connection with this report of the Committee on By-Laws, &c., and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—17.

Nay—The PRESIDENT—1.

Commissioner SIMMONS presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, &c., recommending the rearrangement and re-numbering of articles, sections, &c., where necessary under the recent amendments to the by-laws, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Committee on By-Laws during the past year have had their attention called to numerous verbal errors, to misplacing of certain sections, and to faulty numbering of sections, occa-

sioned by the repeal of certain articles and sections. For the purpose of proper arrangement, numbering and corrections, the Committee have deemed it proper, before the printing of the new Manual, to submit certain proposed amendments to the Board for adoption. In no respect is the *matter* of the by-laws changed; rearrangement, renumbering and correction of repeated matter being only proposed.

The Committee therefore report for adoption the following resolutions:

Resolved, That sec. 58, on page 140, be amended by striking out the words in italics and the number "Sec. 58" and transferring the section so amended to the foot of sec. 17, on page 76.

Resolved, That sec. 59, on page 141, be amended by striking out the words "Appointments, Removals," in the heading, and changing the section so as to read as follows:

"No pay-roll or bill, or other claim, shall be approved in any Ward, except at a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Ward, nor shall any purchases be made, alterations, repairs or supplies be ordered or procured, except by authority of said Board. The passing of every pay-roll, bill or other claim, shall be certified to have taken place at a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Ward, held pursuant to notice given to each member of such Board, at which a quorum was present; and the certificates shall be signed by the chairman and secretary of the Board, or by a majority of the Trustees."

And also amend sub. 4, on page 99, by adding after the words "its chairman and secretary" the words "or by a majority of the Trustees."

Resolved, That the different Articles, Sections and subdivisions of Sections be renumbered so that the same may be consecutively numbered, and that all references in the text of the By-Laws to Articles, Sections and subdivisions of Sections be amended by making such references to the

same Articles, Sections and subdivisions under their new numbers, if change therein shall have been made.

J. EDWARD SIMMONS, GILBERT H. CRAWFORD, EUGENE H. POMEROY, FERDINAND TRAUD, WILLIAM WOOD,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, &c.</i>
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Commissioner TAMSEN moved that said report be laid over, and to retain its place on the Schedule.

Which was lost.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Traud, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—17.

Nay—Commissioner Tamsen—1.

Commissioner BELL presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Supplies asking that the sum of ten thousand dollars be transferred from the appropriation for "Fuel" to the appropriation for "Supplies;" stating, that the Board has the ability to make such transfer.

The resolution of the Committee on Supplies will be found on page 902 of the Journal of this date.

ISAAC BELL, DE WITT J. SELIGMAN, FERDINAND TRAUD,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Supplies, on page 902 of the Journal, in connection with this report of the Finance Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devce, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt,

Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—18.

Commissioner BELL presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, appropriating, reserving and setting apart from the funds of 1885, the sum of \$8,500, for a new steam heating apparatus to be placed in the addition in course of erection to Grammar School No. 43, in the Twelfth Ward ; stating, that the Board has the financial ability to appropriate said amount from the funds apportioned for public instruction for 1885.

The resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Warming and Ventilation is on pp. 897, 898, of the Journal of this date.

ISAAC BELL, DE WITT J. SELIGMAN, FERDINAND TRAUD,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, Journal, pp. 897, 898, in connection with this report of the Finance Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—18.

Commissioner SIMMONS presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, recommending amendments to the by-laws relative to Janitors' salaries, as follows :

To the Board of Education :

The Committee on By-Laws, &c., to whom was referred the question of the increase of Janitors' salaries, report that they have the matter under advisement, but have not as yet finally concluded their investigations. Meanwhile a careful reading

of the present by-laws upon the subject of allowances to Janitors, develops the fact that its meaning is obscure and not clearly expressed. As a preliminary to further report the Committee are of opinion that this section of the by-law should be rewritten, and this has been done. No change has been made in the matter of the section, but the change is in the manner of expressing the same, except that the allowance for rent to Janitors not residing in the school building has been made uniformly \$182 instead of \$169 in some, and \$182 in other cases.

The Committee, therefore, recommend for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That sub. 4 of sec. 6 of Art. XVIII, on page 144 of the Manual be amended so as to read as follows :

4. Allowances for Janitors' salaries shall be computed from building measurement, sidewalk area, and use of heating apparatus, as follows :

FIRST.—The area in square feet covered by the building or buildings under the charge of each Janitor shall be multiplied by the number of stories, excluding cellars, and from the product shall be deducted the area of Janitors' rooms.

This *measurement* shall be multiplied by the following *rates*, on each thousand and quarter thousand square feet, viz : When the measurement is less than 10,000 square feet the rate shall be \$42. When the measurement is 10,000 square feet, or over, the rate shall be obtained by deducting from \$40 ten cents for each quarter thousand square feet in excess of 10,000, but it shall in no case be less than \$30.

SECOND.—All paved, flagged or planked sidewalks and yards connected with the building or buildings shall also be measured in square feet, and on the same shall be calculated an amount at one-half the above mentioned rates.

THIRD.—For heating apparatus there shall be calcu-

lated, in buildings measuring less than 35,000 square feet and heated by steam or hot water :

If only one boiler is used..	\$80
If more than one, for the first	70
For the second	25
For each additional.	20
Stoves, additional, each	4

In buildings measuring 35,000 square feet or more, and heated by steam or hot water :

If only one boiler is used	\$90
If more than one, for the first	80
For the second	30
For each additional	25
Stoves, additional, each	4

In buildings heated by hot air furnaces :

If only one furnace is used	\$65
If more than one, for the first	60
For the second	20
For each additional	12
Stoves, additional, each	4

In buildings heated by stoves :

For the first ten stoves, or less, each	\$8
Stoves, additional, each	4

FOURTH.—The amounts so calculated, according to the three preceding provisions, shall be added together, and the nearest multiple of 13 to the sum so ascertained shall be the allowance for each Janitor's salary; except that in case the amount calculated on building measurement alone is \$442 or less, then the allowance for salary shall be fixed at \$442.

FIFTH.—In addition there shall be allowed for rent to Janitors who do not reside on the premises \$182.

5. No extra allowance shall be made to any Janitor or assistant to a Janitor for removing snow, or for any other

service or labor of any kind, connected with the school building in charge of such Janitor.

6. The sum to be paid monthly to each Janitor shall be one-thirteenth of his annual salary; the remaining thirteenth of his annual salary is to be paid in the month of September in each year, provided that the engineer shall certify to the Clerk of the Board of Education that the buildings and premises in charge of such Janitor have been thoroughly cleaned during vacation.

J. EDWARD SIMMONS,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, &c.</i>
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		

Commissioner SCHMITT moved that said report be laid over to the next meeting of the Board.

Which was lost.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolutions attached to the report of the Committee on By-Laws, &c., and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Traud, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—17.

Nays—Commissioner Tamsen—1.

Commissioner BELL presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom were referred reports from the Committee on Buildings, appropriating, reserving and setting apart from the funds of 1885, the following named amounts for the purposes herein specified:—

\$400 for a pump and tank for Grammar School No. 31.

\$5,000 for altering, furnishing, fitting up, heating, &c., premises on south side of One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street, near Eighth Avenue, in the Twelfth Ward.

Stating, that the Board has the financial ability to appro-

priate these amounts from the funds apportioned for Public Instruction for the year 1885.

The reports of the Committee on Buildings are on the Journal of this date, pp. 903, 904, 905.

ISAAC BELL,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
DE WITT J. SELIGMAN,		
FERDINAND TRAUD,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolutions attached to the reports of the Committee on Buildings, Journal, pages 903, 904, 905, in connection with this report of the Finance Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—18.

Commissioner TRAUD presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, stating, that the work represented in the accompanying bills was necessary, and was done by authority of the Committee.

The Incidental Account of the Evening Schools is exhausted, and the Committee recommend that the bills be paid from the general account, on the approval of the Committee, and submit the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That the following named bills, incurred on account of the Evening Schools, by authority of the Committee on Evening Schools, be paid from the "General Account," on the approval of said Committee :

7th Ward—Evening School No. 2, W. D. Lent, Guards.....	\$27 00
9th " " 16, John Spence, Gas Burners, &c..	18 45
17th " " 13, F. Ehrhardt, Gas Fixtures....	69 05
" 19, W. H. Housner, Jr., Transpa-	
rency	4 50
25, Francis Linke, Repair Lanterns.	3 58
19th " " 59, T. J. Fitch, Gas Fixtures.....	27 68

Norris & Williams, Gas Fixtures, Evening High School.....	16 61
Geo. H. Kitchen & Co., " " " 	29 05
Z. T. Benson, Chemicals, " " 	36 69

\$227 61

FERDINAND TRAUD,	}	<i>Committee on Evening Schools.</i>
R. M. GALLAWAY,		
CHARLES CRARY,		
W. J. WELCH,		
HENRY SCHMITT,		

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner SIMMONS presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, &c., to whom was referred the resolution of Commissioner Pomeroy, found on page 859 of the Journal, recommending the following resolution for adoption :

Resolved, That in place of the paragraph at the top of page 120 of the Manual, commencing, "In schools where no special teacher," &c., be amended so as to read as follows :

"The sum of sixty dollars per annum shall be added to the salary of any regular teacher appointed to take charge of one or more of the following subjects—Music, Drawing, German or French, where no special teacher of the subject so taught by the regular teacher is employed ; provided the usual instruction in such subjects is given by such regular teacher ; but no Principal or Vice-Principal shall be appointed to such position.

J. EDWARD SIMMONS,	}	<i>Committee on By-Laws, &c.</i>
FERDINAND TRAUD,		
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,		
EUGENE H. POMEROY,		
WILLIAM WOOD,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Traud, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—16.

Nay—Commissioner Tamsen—1.

Commissioner BELL presented a report from the Finance

Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, recommending an appropriation of \$850 from the fund of 1885, for placing a new steam boiler in Grammar School Building No. 22; stating, that the Board has the financial ability to appropriate the amount from the fund apportioned for Public Instruction for 1885.

The resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Warming and Ventilation is on page 898 of the Journal of this date.

ISAAC BELL, DEWITT J. SELIGMAN, FERDINAND TRAUD,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, Journal, page 898, in connection with this report on the Finance Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—18.

Commissioner BELL presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Evening Schools, recommending payment of bills amounting to \$227.61, incurred by authority of that Committee; stating, that the Board has the ability to appropriate the sum named from the General Accounts.

The report of the Committee on Evening Schools is on the Journal of this date, pp. 921, 922.

FERDINAND TRAUD. DEWITT J. SELIGMAN, ISAAC BELL,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt this resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Evening Schools, Journal of this date, pp. 921, 922, in connection with this report of the Finance Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—18.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Commissioner TAMSEN offered the following :

Resolved, That the report of the Committee on By-Laws, relative to the introduction of physical instruction in three schools (page 603, Journal), with the opinion of the Counsel to the Board (pages 767 and 768) on the subject, be re-committed for the purpose of being amended in accordance with said legal opinion.

Adopted.

Commissioner WOOD offered the following :

Resolved, That the thanks of this Board are hereby tendered to STEPHEN A. WALKER, Esq., LL.D., President, for the faithful and impartial manner in which he has presided over the deliberations of the Board during the past year, the sixth of his Presidency, for the wisdom and intelligence shown by him in promoting the cause of popular Education, and for his uniform courtesy to each, and all of the members of the Board.

Adopted.

Commissioner WOOD offered the following :

Resolved, That the thanks of the Board be tendered to JOHN DAVENPORT, Esq., Auditor of the Board, for the faithful and efficient discharge of the duties of his office, for the past year, which have been rendered more onerous than usual owing to the absence of our Clerk during the latter part of this year.

Adopted.

The minutes of this session were then read.

Commissioner SCHMITT moved that the vote on the payment to regular teachers who teach special studies of Drawing, French and German (Journal of this date, page 922) be reconsidered.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would reconsider said vote, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioner Schmitt—1.

Nays—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Wetmore and Wood—16.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of this session as read, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—The PRESIDENT, and Commissioners Bell, Crary, Crawford, Devoe, Gallaway, Holt, Perkins, Pomeroy, Schmitt, Schwab, Seligman, Simmons, Tamsen, Traud, Welch, Wetmore and Wood—18.

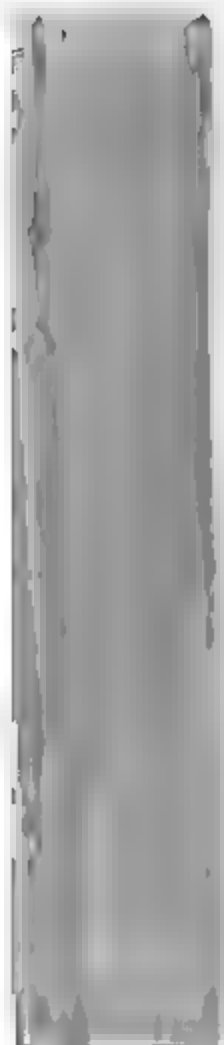
ADJOURNMENT.

On motion—

The Board adjourned.

JOHN DAVENPORT,

Acting Clerk.



FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

IN BOARD OF EDUCATION.

FEBRUARY 3, 1886.

Commissioner VERMILYE presented a report from the Finance Committee, submitting the financial statement of the transactions of the Board for 1885, as follows :

To the Board of Education :—

The Finance Committee present the usual annual statement prepared by the Auditor, of the financial transactions of the Board in 1885. The payments, per vouchers, amount to the sum of four million four hundred and forty-three thousand eight hundred and ninety 30-100 dollars (\$4,443,890.30). By this statement it appears that the credit balances previous to 1884, and a portion of that year's fund, amounting in all to the sum of one hundred and seventy-two thousand three hundred and sixty-one dollars (\$172,361.00), or the sum that represents these balances as with the Comptroller, have been by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment transferred to the general fund of the city.

The actual and estimated liabilities are given at \$159,647.00 ; the indebtedness on Bond Account is \$70,023.00, and the balance of this fund unappropriated is \$12,317.99.

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. VERMILYE,	} <i>Finance Committee.</i>
F. W. DEVOE,	
ISAAC BELI,	
WM. LUMMIS,	
CHAS. L. HOLT,	

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Of the Board of Education for the year 1885, with the transactions during the year for account of preceding years.

RESOURCES.

Balances per last report, for 1880, 1881, 1882, and 1883.....	\$120,161 97	
Balance for 1884 per last report.....	\$60,118 89	
Balance for 1884 per last report, special. 521,715 00	581,833 89	
	<hr/>	\$701,994 96
Bond proceeds.....		\$332,000 00
Balance of Building Fund		21,800 00
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		\$1,055,794 96
Amount apportioned for 1885.....		3,859,800 00
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Total, per accounts of this Board.....		\$4,915,594 96

PAYMENTS

BY VOUCHERS SENT THE COMPTROLLER.

For Account of 1882.

Repairs and Plumbing (\$58.16, \$48).....	\$106 16
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For Account of 1883.

Repairs to Buildings.....	\$99 77	
Supplies through Depository.....	78 10	
Repairs to Heating Apparatus.....	23 00	
	<hr/>	\$200 87

For Account of 1884.

Salaries of Teachers in Ward Schools.....	\$1,962 22
Salaries of Janitors in Ward Schools.....	212 61
Salaries of Teachers in Evening Schools.....	251 31
Depository, Supplies.....	198 65
Gas Account	23 50
Incidental Repairs to School Buildings, Furniture, Heating Apparatus, by the Trustees.....	8,494 47
Incidental Expenses Board of Education—Print- ing, etc.....	1,034 51

Incidental Expenses of Normal College.....	\$101 90	
Incidental Expenses of Evening Schools.....	3 80	
Clerks to Ward Trustees—Salaries.....	172 24	
Contingent Repairs by Committees, viz.:		
To Buildings.....	\$4,837 08	
To Furniture.....	934 30	
To Heating Apparatus.....	2,086 90	
	<hr/>	7,858 28
Sundries through General Account—Merritt Judgment, W. H. Wood's Salary, Janitor, etc.....	1,286 74	
Special Repairs and Fitting up Buildings.....	\$7,778 61	
Special Repairs to Furniture.....	2,655 11	
Special Repairs to Heating Apparatus.....	1,722 01	
	<hr/>	\$12,155 73
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		\$33,705 96
Less rent credited Comptroller in 1884, not paid...	112 50	
	<hr/>	\$33,593 46
Erecting New Buildings, special account.....	\$371,070 72	
Sites in Twenty-third Ward, special account.....	33,000 00	
Heating Apparatus, special account.....	4,780 00	
Furniture in G. S. 33, special account.....	5,233 00	
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Total from Special Fund.....		\$114,083 72
		<hr/>
Total for Account of 1884.....		\$447,677 18

For Account of 1885.

Site on West Fortieth st., 22d Ward.....	\$16,000 00	
Repairing Buildings, special.....	57,218 67	
Furniture and repairs of, special.....	18,553 57	
Heating Apparatus and Repairs, special.....	32,205 40	
Sanitary Improvements.....	6,383 40	
	<hr/>	
From Reserve Fund.....		\$130,361 04
Sites on King, W. 50th and 96th sts.,	\$162,559 01	
Building on 110th street, on account.....	77,000 00	
Furniture.....	2,200 00	
Heating Apparatus.....	7,900 00	
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From Bond Account, appropriations in 1884 and 1885.....		\$249,659 01

Buildings Contingent Fund, by Committees, viz :		
Repairs to Buildings.....	\$14,374 37	
Repairs to Heating Apparatus.....	3,746 02	
Repairs to Furniture.....	3,648 23	
	<hr/>	\$21,768 62
Inspectors, services at New Buildings.		8,344 75
Incidental Repairs to Buildings, Furniture and Heating Apparatus, by Trustees.....		27,390 30
Salaries of Teachers in Ward Schools,	2,631,819 16	
Salaries of Janitors in Ward Schools,	114,417 65	
Salaries of Normal College and Training Department	97,071 85	
Salaries of Evening Schools	85,855 65	
Salaries of City Superintendents.....	35,049 60	
Salaries of Officers, Clerks and Counsel to the Board.....	41,274 64	
Salaries of Truancy Agents ; Compulsory Education Act.....	14,992 10	
Salaries of Clerks to Ward Trustees..	2,401 62	
Additional Salary on the basis of length of service, to Assistant teachers in Primary Schools	74,392 92	
	<hr/>	\$3,097,275 19
Support of Nautical School, viz.:		
Salaries and Wages of Officers and Crew.....	\$13,514 85	
Provisions	6,236 42	
Ship Chandlery.....	1,039 74	
Towing and Pilotage.....	79 75	
Drugs	211 73	
Repairs to Ship St. Mary's.....	1,255 49	
Oil.....	201 01	
Wharfage.....	763 90	
Furniture.....	74 00	
Repairs to Instruments, etc.....	84 00	
Sundries, on Summer Cruise.....	1,227 68	
	<hr/>	24,688 54
Depository Supplies : Books, Maps, Stationery, etc., etc.....		166,674 25
Fuel: Wood.....	\$9,506 85	
Coal	72,954 06	
	<hr/>	82,460 91
Gas, for all Schools, etc.....		14,411 00

Incidental Expenses of the Board of Education, viz.:

Printing Annual Report, Directory, Minutes of Board, Blanks, etc.,	\$4,867 14	
Blank Books and Stationery.....	352 50	
Searches and Surveys of Sites, and interest and taxes on 134th st..	3,967 40	
Repairs to Hall of the Board, Fur- niture, etc.....	2,683 82	
Supplies, Wood, Ice, etc.....	248 74	
Transportation of Pupils in 24th Ward, Advertising, Cartage, Freight, Labor, etc., etc.....	1,029 86	
Delivering Supplies to the Schools, Postage, Assistant Inspector of Fuel, and Assistant Draughts- men, etc.....	5,455 57	
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	\$18,605 03	
Less credit in General Account..	6 70	
	<hr/>	\$18,598 33
Incidental expenses of Evening Schools, Fixtures, Supplies, etc..		778 81
Rents of School Premises.....		27,981 50
Shop—Wages and Materials.....		2,862 57
Pianos for Ward Schools.....		535 00
Connecting Public School Buildings with the Fire and Police Electric Alarm : Special Fund, etc.....		16,175 00
Incidental Expenses of the Normal College, viz.:		
Repairs to Buildings, Furniture, etc.	\$3,890 12	
Printing and Stationery.....	1,192 84	
Supplies, Chemicals, etc., for the Pro- fessors.....	1,135 99	
Care of Grounds, etc.....	361 24	
Labor, Postage, Decorating, etc.....	840 82	
	<hr/>	7,421 01
New York Protestant Episcopal Public School Assessments on Grammar School 29, for the years 1871, 1872, 1873, and interest—Special.....		1,929 44
Corporate Schools—State Apportion- ment, viz.:		
The New York Orphan Asylum School.....	1,739 07	

The Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum School (three branches).....	\$8,405 50	
The Schools of the Protestant Half-Orphan Asylum	1,904 69	
The School of the Association for the Benefit of Colored Orphans.....	2,505 09	
The School of the Leake and Watts Orphan House.....	890 23	
The Schools of the American Female Guardian Society.....	15,755 14	
The School Established and Maintained by the New York Juvenile Asylum	7,225 42	
The House of Reception of the New York Juvenile Asylum.....	1,004 11	
The School Established and Maintained by the Ladies' Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.....	4,006 07	
The School Established and Maintained by Five Points House of Industry	4,213 10	
The Industrial Schools Established and Maintained under the charge of the Children's Aid Society....	33,259 69	
The School of the Society for the Reformation of Juvenile Delinquents.	9,109 42	
The School, including the Country Branch thereof, Established and Maintained under the charge of the Nursery and Child's Hospital.	2,132 08	
The School Established and Maintained by the N. Y. Society for the Relief of the Ruptured and Crippled	1,697 66	
The School of the Hebrew Orphan Soc.	921 29	
The School of the Association for Befriending Children and Young Girls	1,832 23	
	<hr/>	\$96,590 79
Total payments from General Fund, 1885.....		\$3,746,247 0
Total payments in 1885, from General Account.....	\$3,746,247 08	
From Bond Account.....	249,659 01	
	<hr/>	\$3,995,906 0

SUMMARY

Of the resources and expenditures for the year 1885, detailed in the above statement, and the balances remaining of the funds for the respective years named, as per the accounts of this Board, with an approximate statement of the sums transferred therefrom by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to the general fund of the city, to conform with the final balances, remaining to the credit of this Board, with the Comptroller, at this date.

	Balances Dec. 31, '84.	Paid in, 1885.	Trans- fers.*	Balances with Comptroller.†
For the year 1880.....	\$23,388 89		\$23,388 89	
For the year 1881.....	46,450 69		46,450 69	
For the year 1882.....	36,435 46	106 16	36,329 30	
For the year 1883, general account ..	13,872 03	200 87	13,371 16	\$300 00
" " " special fund	14 00		14 00	
" " 1884, general fund.....	60,118 89	33,543 46	23,525 43	3,000 00
" " " special fund	521,715 00	414,063 72	29,281 53	78,349 75
Bond account.....	332,000 00	249,659 01		82,340 99
Building fund	21,800 00			21,800 00
For the year 1885, general and special funds.....	3,859,800 00	3,746,247 08		113,552 92
	<hr/> \$4,915,594 96	<hr/> \$4,443,800 30	<hr/> \$172,961 00	<hr/> \$500,343 66

* Statement of transfers by Board of Estimate and Apportionment represented in accounts of Board of Education to conform to the balances at this date

† Balances with Comptroller per his accounts this date.

LIABILITIES.

Appropriations from Bond Account.....	\$319,682 01
Paid per Statement	249,659 01
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Due on Appropriations Bond Account.....	\$70,023 00
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APPROPRIATIONS FROM SPECIAL FUND 1884.

Due Sundry Balances on Contracts etc. and Extra Work	\$78,949 75
Appropriation for site, Twenty-third Ward—Contingent.....	3,915 75
Sundries, estimated.....	3,000 00

For Account of 1885.

Supplies estimated.....	\$2,500 00	
Sundry Appropriations, balances.....	22,800 00	
" " Set apart.....	9,750 00	
Contingent Account, Balance.....	11,232 00	
Incidental Ward Accounts, Repairs, Salaries of Teachers, etc.	25,000 00	
Incidentals of the Board, Fuel, and pianos, etc., due.....	2,500 00	
	<hr/>	\$73,782 00

Bond Account.

Balance unappropriated, per last report.....	\$97,111 00	
Appropriated in 1885, Sundries.....	84,793 01	
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Balance unappropriated.....		\$12,317 99

NEW YORK, *December* 31, 1885.

Ordered, That said report be entered in full on the minutes.

On motion of Commissioner VERMILYE—

Ordered, That the usual number of copies be printed for binding with the Journal of 1885.

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